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FIFTY-FIFTH CONVENTION
OF THE
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HELD IN ST. PAUL'S CHAPEL, IN THE CITY OF NEW-YORK,

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TO WHICH IS PREFIXED
A LIST OF THE CLERGY OF THE DIOCESE.



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LIST OF THE CLERGY

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- THE** Right Rev. Benjamin T. Onderdonk, D. D., Bishop, and Professor of the Nature, Ministry, and Polity of the Church in the General Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, New-York.
- * Rev. Hiram Adams, rector of Trinity Church, Ulster, Ulster county.
- Rev. Jasper Adams, D. D., chaplain and professor of Moral and Political Philosophy in the United States Military Academy, West Point.
- Rev. Norman H. Adams, rector of St. Matthew's Church, Unadilla, Otsego county.
- Rev. George B. Andrews, rector of Zion Church, Wappinger's Creek, Dutchess county.
- Rev. Henry Anthon, D. D., rector of St. Mark's Church, New-York.
- Rev. Deodatus Babcock, missionary at Ballston Spa, and Saratoga Springs, Saratoga county.
- Rev. William Baker, missionary at Fairfield and Norway, Herkimer county.
- Rev. Lewis P. W. Balch, Rector of St. Bartholomew's Church, New-York.
- Rev. William Barlow, rector of St. John's Church, Ogdensburg, St. Lawrence county.
- * Rev. William S. Bartlett, deacon.
- Rev. Lewis P. Bayard, D. D. rector of St. Clement's Church, New-York.
- * Rev. Amos B. Beach, rector of Zion Church, Louisville, Otsego county.
- Rev. Alva Bennett, principal of the Little Falls' Private Academy, Little Falls, Herkimer county.
- Rev. Moses P. Bennet.
- Rev. William Berrian, D. D., rector of Trinity Church, including St. Paul's and St. John's Chapels, New-York.
- Rev. William H. A. Bissel, deacon, instructor in the Episcopal Institute, Troy.
- Rev. Robert Bolton, rector of St. Paul's Church, East Chester, Westchester county.
- Rev. Charles W. Bradley.
- Rev. George Bridgeman.
- Rev. Thomas S. Brittan, rector of St. Paul's Church, Brooklyn.
- Rev. John Brown, rector of St. George's Church, Newburgh, and St. Thomas' Church, New Windsor, Orange county.
- * Rev. John W. Brown, rector of St. George's Church, Astoria, Queen's county, and rector of the Astoria Female Institute.
- Rev. Edward C. Bull.
- Rev. David Butler, D. D., residing at Troy.
- Rev. Robert Campbell, missionary at Walton, Delaware county.
- Rev. James D. Carder, rector of St. John's Church, Fort Hamilton, King's county, and Secretary and General Agent of the Domestic Committee of the Board of Missions of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, New-York.

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- Rev. Wm. M. Carmichael, rector of St. George's Church, Hempstead, Queen's county.
- Rev. Lawson Carter.
- *Rev. Peter S. Chauncey, rector of Christ Church, Rye, Westchester county.
- *Rev. Caleb Clapp, deacon, teacher at Astoria, Queen's county, and assistant minister of St. Michael's, St. James', and St. Mary's Churches, New-York.
- Rev. Orange Clark, D. D.
- *Rev. Thomas Clark.
- Rev. James P. F. Clarke, rector of Christ Church, Manhasset, Queen's county.
- Rev. James Coghlan.
- Rev. Joseph H. Coit, rector of Trinity Church, Plattsburg, Clinton county.
- Rev. Thomas W. Coit, D. D., rector of Trinity Church, New Rochelle, Westchester county.
- Rev. Calvin Colton.
- Rev. James W. Cooke, assistant minister of St. George's Church, New-York.
- *Rev. William C. Cooley, rector of St. Peter's Church, Peekskill, Westchester county.
- *Rev. Richard Cox, rector of St. John's Church, Troy.
- Rev. William Creighton, D. D., rector of Zion Church, Greensburg, and Christ Church, Tarrytown, Westchester county.
- Rev. Alexander H. Cull, deacon, missionary at Malone, Franklin county.
- *Rev. William A. Curtis, rector of St. Thomas' Church, Mamaroneck Westchester county.
- Rev. Benjamin C. Cutler, D. D., rector of St. Ann's Church, Brooklyn, King's county.
- Rev. Edward Davis, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Charlton, Saratoga county.
- Rev. Samuel C. Davis.
- *Rev. Henry M. Davis, rector of St. John's Church, Kingston, Ulster county.
- Rev. Isaiah G. De Grasse, deacon (a colored man) officiating to the second colored congregation, New-York, and a colored congregation, Jamaica, Queen's county.
- *Rev. John Dowdney, jun., rector of Trinity Church, Athens, Greene County.
- Rev. Palmer Dyer, missionary at Whitehall, Washington county.
- Rev. Mantion Eastburn, D. D. rector of the Church of the Ascension, New-York.
- Rev. Benjamin Evans, missionary at Patterson, Putnam county, and North Salem, Westchester county.
- *Rev. John Murray Forbes, rector of St. Luke's Church, New-York.
- Rev. Edward K. Fowler, missionary at Monticello, Sullivan county.
- Rev. Alexander Frazer, missionary at large in the city of New-York.
- Rev. Samuel Fuller, rector of Trinity Church, Rensselaerville, Albany county.
- Rev. John M. Garfield, principal of the Albany Female Seminary.
- Rev. John D. Gilbert.
- Rev. Sturges Gilbert, rector of St. Peter's Church, Hobart, Delaware county.
- *Rev. Kingston Goddard, rector of Christ Church, Brooklyn.
- *Rev. Frederick J. Goodwin, rector of St. George's Church, Flushing, Queen's county.
- *Rev. George S. Gordon, deacon.
- Rev. David Griffith.
- *Rev. Benjamin I. Haight, rector of All Saints' Church, New-York.
- Rev. William Hammell, residing in New-York.
- *Rev. Robert W. Harris, rector of Grace Church, White Plains, Westchester county.
- *Rev. Abram B. Hart, rector of St. Andrew's Church, New-York.
- Rev. Samuel Haskell, residing at New Rochelle, Westchester county.
- *Rev. Samuel M. Haskins, deacon, assisting in St. George's Church, Astoria, Queen's county, and in the Astoria Female Institute.
- Rev. Frederick W. Hatch, rector of St. Paul's Church, Poughkeepsie, Dutchess county.
- Rev. Francis L. Hawks, D. D. rector of St. Thomas' Church, New-York.
- Rev. Caleb S. Henry, D. D. Professor of Moral Philosophy in the University of the city of New-York.
- *Rev. Edward Y. Higbee, an assistant minister of Trinity Church, New-York.

- Rev. Origen P. Holcomb, rector of Trinity Church, Windham, Greene county.
Rev. Herman Hooker.
Rev. Reuben Hubbard, missionary at Stillwater and Mechanicsville, Saratoga county.
Rev. Richard T. Huddart, deacon, principal of an academy, Bloomingdale, New-York.
Rev. John Hughes, missionary at Gilbertsville and Exeter, Otsego county.
*Rev. Andrew Hull, deacon, missionary at Oneonta and Otego, Otsego county.
Rev. Aaron Humphrey, missionary at Wadington, St. Lawrence county.
*Rev. Joseph Hunter, deacon, minister of St. Mary's Church, Brooklyn.
Rev. Hiram Jelliff, missionary at Lithgow, Dutchess county.
Rev. Evan Malbone Johnson, rector of St. John's Church, Brooklyn, King's county.
*Rev. William L. Johnson, rector of Grace Church, Jamaica, Queen's county.
Rev. Charles Jones, rector of Calvary Church, New-York.
Rev. George Jones, chaplain in the United States Navy.
Rev. Lot Jones, missionary in the city of New-York, in charge of the Mission Church of the Epiphany.
Rev. Thomas S. Judd, rector of St. John's Church, Delhi, Delaware county.
Rev. Ravaud Kearney, rector of St. Paul's Church, Upper Redhook, Dutchess county.
Rev. John B. Kerfoot, deacon, chaplain, and assisting the professor of the Greek and Latin languages, St. Paul's college, College Point, Flushing, Queen's county.
Rev. Nathan Kingsberry.
*Rev. William I. Kip, rector of St. Paul's Church, Albany.
Rev. John Knill, missionary at Port Jackson, Montgomery county, and West Charlton, Saratoga county.
*Rev. Henry Lockwood, missionary of the Board of Missions of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States to China.
Rev. Thomas Lyell, D. D., rector of Christ Church, New-York.
Rev. Amos D. Mc'Coy, rector of St. Paul's Church, Tompkinsville, Richmond county.
Rev. John M'Vickar, D. D., professor of moral and intellectual philosophy, and political economy, in Columbia college, New-York.
*Rev. Thomas Mallaby, rector of St. James's Church, Goshen, Orange county.
*Rev. Solon W. Manney, rector of the Church of the Nativity, New-York.
Rev. Moses Marcus, missionary of the Board of Missions of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States to the Island of Nantucket, Massachusetts.
Rev. Darwin B. Mason, M. D., missionary at Granville, Washington county.
*Rev. Edward N. Mead, rector of St. Paul's church, and chaplain to the New-York State Prison, Sing Sing, Westchester county.
*Rev. John F. Messenger, teacher, Brooklyn.
Rev. James Milnor, D. D., rector of St. George's Church, New-York.
Rev. Timothy Minor.
Rev. David Moore, rector of St. Andrew's Church, Richmond, including Trinity Chancel, Factoryville, Richmond county.
Rev. William Morris, rector of Trinity School, New-York.
Rev. William A. Muhlenberg, D. D., senior of the Collegiate family, and professor of the evidences and ethics of Christianity, St. Paul's college, College Point, Flushing, Queen's county.
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Rev. Samuel Nichols.
Rev. William W. Niles.
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Rev. Amos Pardee, officiating at Caldwell, Warren county.
*Rev. Isaac Pardee, rector of Christ Church, Hudson.
*Rev. Alfred H. Partridge, rector of St. Matthew's Church, Bedford, Westchester county.

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- Rev. Isaac Peck, assistant minister of Christ Church, New-York.
 Rev. Benjamin O. Peers, editor of the General Protestant Episcopal Sunday School Union, New-York.
 *Rev. Hewlett R. Peters.
 Rev. Joseph F. Philips, rector of St. Luke's Church, Cattakill, and officiating in Calvary Church, Cairo, Greene county.
 Rev. Washington Philo, deacon.
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 *Rev. Frederick W. J. Pollard, deacon.
 Rev. Alonzo Potter, D. D., professor of Moral Philosophy and belles lettres, in Union college, Schenectady.
 Rev. Horatio Potter, D. D., rector of St. Peter's Church, Albany.
 Rev. Jesse Pound, missionary in charge of the Mission Church of the Holy Evangelists, New-York.
 Rev. William Powell, rector of St. Peter's Church, Westchester, and principal of an academy, West-Farms, Westchester county.
 Rev. Joseph H. Price, rector of St. Stephen's Church, New-York.
 Rev. Lucius M. Purdy, rector of Christ Church, Hampton, Washington county.
 Rev. Albin K. Putnam, deacon, minister of Trinity Church, Potsdam, St. Lawrence county.
 Rev. Smith Pyne, rector of St. John's Church, Yonkers, Westchester county.
 Rev. Joseph Ransom, rector of St. John's church, Johnstown, Fulton county.
 Rev. John Reed, D. D., rector of Christ Church, Poughkeepsie, Dutchess county.
 Rev. Thomas C. Reed, professor of Political Economy in Union College, Schenectady.
 Rev. James C. Richmond, rector of St. Michael's, St. James', and St. Mary's Churches, New-York.
 Rev. William Richmond, rector of Zion Church, New-York.
 Rev. Richard Salmon.
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 Rev. John Scovill, rector of Christ Church, Greeneville, Greene county.
 Rev. Charles Seabury, missionary at Setauket and Islip, Suffolk county.
 Rev. Samuel Seabury, D. D., rector of the Church of the Annunciation, and editor of the Churchman, New-York.
 Rev. Robert Shaw, missionary at Marlborough, Ulster county.
 *Rev. George A. Shelton, rector of St. James' Church, Newtown, Queen's county.
 Rev. Daniel Shepard, deacon, rector of the Delaware Academy, Delhi, Delaware county.
 Rev. Isaac Sherwood, missionary at Coldspring Harbor, Queen's county, and Huntington, Suffolk county.
 Rev. Reuben Sherwood, rector of St. James' Church, Hyde Park, Dutchess county,
 Rev. Richard C. Shimeall, rector of Trinity Church, Brooklyn.
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 Rev. Hugh Smith, D. D., rector of St. Peter's Church, New-York.
 Rev. Orsamus H. Smith, missionary at Rensselaerville, Albany county.
 Rev. Horatio Southgate, missionary in the employ of the Foreign Committee of the Board of Missions of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States.
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 Rev. William Staunton, rector of St. Thomas' Church, Ravenswood, Queen's county.
 Rev. Cyrus Stebbins, D. D., missionary at Waterford, Saratoga county, and Cohoes, Albany county.
 *Rev. Alfred Stubbs, deacon.
 *Rev. Isaac Swart, officiating in Albany.
 *Rev. Henry W. Sweetzer, deacon, minister of St. Andrew's Church, Walden, Orange county,

- Rev. William Tatham, residing at Canton, St. Lawrence county.
 Rev. Thomas H. Taylor, D. D., rector of Grace Church, New-York.
 *Rev. Anthony Ten Broeck, rector of St. Anna's Church, Fishkill Landing, Dutchess county.
 Rev. William B. Thomas, rector of Christ Church, Duanesburg, Schenectady county.
 Rev. James Thompson, missionary at Durham, Greene county.
 Rev. Frederick T. Tiffany, rector of Christ Church, Cooperstown, Otsego county.
 Rev. Thomas Towell, missionary at Little Falls and Mohawk, Herkimer county.
 Rev. Francis Tremayne.
 Rev. Samuel H. Turner, D. D., Professor of Biblical Learning and the Interpretation of Scripture in the General Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, New-York.
 Rev. Alvi T. Twing, missionary at West Troy, Albany county.
 Rev. Libertus Van Bokkelen, deacon, instructor in St. Paul's College, College Point, Queen's county.
 *Rev. Robert B. Van Kleeck, rector of St. Paul's Church, Troy.
 Rev. John A. Vaughan, D. D., Secretary and General Agent of the Foreign Committee of the Board of Missions of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, New-York.
 Rev. Antoine Verron, rector of the French Church Du St. Esprit, and professor of the French language and literature in Columbia College, New-York.
 Rev. Jonathan M. Wainwright, D. D., an assistant minister of Trinity Church, New-York.
 *Rev. William F. Walker, rector of Christ Church, and principal of the Episcopal Institute, Troy.
 *Rev. William H. Walter, rector of St. George's Church, Schenectady.
 Rev. Thomas Warner.
 Rev. Phineas L. Whipple, rector of Trinity Church, Lansingburgh, Rensselaer county.
 *Rev. William R. Whittingham, D. D., St. Mark's Church in the Bowery Professor of Ecclesiastical History in the General Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, New-York.
 Rev. Ebenezer Williams, rector of St. Philip's Church, Phillipstown, Putnam county.
 Rev. Eleazar Williams, deacon.
 Rev. Peter Williams, (a colored man) rector of St. Philip's Church, New-York, the congregation of which is composed of colored persons.
 Rev. William Withington, deacon.—Total, 184.

LIST OF THE CLERGY WHO ATTENDED THE CONVENTION.

Right Rev. Benjamin T. Onderdonk, D. D.

PREBYTTERS AND DEACONS.

REV. Hiram Adams,	REV. J. Dixon Carder,
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" Henry Anthon, D. D.	" Peter S. Chauncey,
" Deodatus Babcock,	" James P. F. Clarke,
" Lewis P. W. Balch,	" Joseph H. Coit,
" Lewis P. Bayard, D. D.	" James W. Cooke,
" Amos B. Beach,	" Richard Cox,
" William Berrian, D. D.	" William Creighton, D. D.
" Robert Bolton,	" Alexander H. Cull,
" Thomas S. Brittan,	" William A. Curtis,
" John Brown,	" Benjamin C. Cutler, D. D.
" John W. Brown,	" Edward Davis,

REV. Henry M. Davis,	REV. Alfred H. Partridge,
" John Dowdney,	" Isaac Peck,
" Palmer Dyer,	" Joseph F. Phillips,
" Manton Eastburn, D. D.	" Horatio Potter, D. D.
" Benjamin Evans,	" Jesse Pound,
" John Murray Forbes,	" William Powell,
" Edward K. Fowler,	" Joseph H. Price,
" Alexander Frazer,	" Lucius M. Purdy.
" Samuel Fuller,	" Smith Pyne,
" John M. Garfield,	" John Reed, D. D.
" Sturges Gilbert,	" William Richmond,
" Frederick J. Goodwin,	" John Scovill,
" Benjamin I. Haight,	" Charles Seabury,
" Samuel M. Haskins,	" Samuel Seabury, D. D.
" Frederick W. Hatch,	" Robert Shaw,
" Francis L. Hawks, D. D.	" George A. Shelton,
" Caleb S. Henry, D. D.	" Isaac Sherwood,
" Edward Y. Higbee,	" Reuben Sherwood,
" Origen P. Holcomb,	" Richard C. Shimeall,
" Reuben Hubbard,	" Hugh Smith, D. D.
" Joseph Hunter,	" Orsamus H. Smith,
" Hiram Jelliff,	" William Staunton,
" Evan M. Johnson,	" Isaac Swart,
" William L. Johnson,	" Henry W. Sweetzer,
" Charles Jones,	" Thomas House Taylor, D. D.
" Lot Jones,	" Anthony Ten Broeck,
" Thomas S. Judd,	" William B. Thomas,
" William I. Kip,	" Frederick T. Tiffany,
" Thomas Lyell, D. D.	" Alvi T. Twing,
" Amos D. McCoy,	" Robert B. Van Kleeck,
" Thomas Mallaby,	" Antoine Verren,
" Solon W. Manney,	" Jonathan M. Wainwright, D. D.
" Darwin B. Mason, M. D.	" William F. Walker,
" James Milnor, D. D.	" William H. Walter,
" David Moore,	" Phineas L. Whipple,
" William Morris,	" William R. Whittingham, D. D.
" John D. Ogilby,	" Ebenezer Williams.

LIST OF LAY DELEGATES WHO ATTENDED THE CONVENTION.

Albany county. *Albany,* St. Peter's Church, John L. Wendell, Sandford Cobb.

Columbia county. *Hudson,* Christ Church, James Fleming.

Dutchess county. *Fishkill,* Trinity Church, Gulian C. Verplanck.

Fishkill Landing, St. Anna's Church, James S. Rumsey, M. D., Henry H. Elliott, Amasa Alden.

Hyde Park, St. James' Church, David Collins, jun. Edmund H. Pendleton.

Pawlingville, St. Peters' Church, Joseph P. Lee.

Poughkeepsie, Christ Church, William T. Belden, John L. Fonda.

St. Paul's Church, Hubert Van Wagenen.

Franklin county. *Malone,* St. Mark's Church, Luther Bradish.

Greene county. *Cairo,* Calvary Church, George Wickes.

Catskill, St. Luke's Church, Charles C. W. Cleveland.

Greenville, Christ Church, Reuben Rundle.

Herkimer county. *Little Falls,* Emmanuel Church, Christopher Smith, Henry McKay.

- King's county.* *Brooklyn*, St. Ann's Church, Hosea Webster, D. B. Douglas
St. John's Church, Ezekiel Ostrander, Phineas Baldwin, L. Van Nostrand,
James E. Underhill.
St. Mary's Church, John Hammel.
St. Paul's Church, Joseph Ellison, N. F. Waring.
- New-York city and county.* All Saints' Church, James Burges, Robert S.
Bartow, William Stebbins, Thomas S. Underhill, John H. Williams.
Church of the Annunciation, Cornelius Oakley, William H. Bell, John Ran-
dolph.
- Ascension Church*, Peter A. Jay, Abel T. Anderson.
Calvary Church, William H. Hobart, M. D., Charles Taylor.
Christ Church, Matthew Keeler, A. G. Valentine, G. P. Pollen.
Nativity Church, Joseph F. Lippitt, Thomas B. Lippitt.
St. Andrew's Church, John A. Sidell, Thomas Ward, M. D.
St. Bartholomew's Church, Samuel Jones, Henry Jackson, David L. Baldwin.
St. Clement's Church, Samuel B. Romaine, Andrew Pollock, W. H. Mott.
St. Esprit Church, Gulian C. Verplanck, John Granger, M. D.
St. George's Church, John Stearns, M. D., James J. Hoyt, Brittain L. Wool-
ley, William Whitlock.
St. Luke's Church, Henry Ritter, Floyd Smith, Charles N. S. Rowland, John
R. Satterlee.
St. Mark's Church, John L. Lawrence, Isaac Carow, James Heard, John W.
Mitchell.
St. Michael's Church, James F. De Peyster, Frederick De Peyster, James
Macdonald.
St. Peter's Church, Clement C. Moore, John D. Ogden, N. Bradnor Smith,
Edmund Hurry.
St. Stephen's Church, James W. Dominick.
St. Thomas' Church, William Nelson, T. L. Servoss, David Hadden.
Trinity Church, with St. Paul's and St. John's Chapels, Nehemiah Rogers,
Thomas L. Ogden, William Johnson, William H. Harrison.
Zion Church, John G. Graff, William Thorne, Frederick Pentz, Smith Barker.
- Orange county.* *Newburgh*, St. George's Church, Moses Ely, Frederick J.
Betta, Oliver Davis, William Scott.
Walden, St. Andrew's Church, George Weller.
- Putnam county.* *Patterson*, Christ Church, Frederick Stone.
- Queen's county.* *Astoria*, St. George's Church, George Chances.
Cold Spring Harbor, St. John's Church, Charles Hewlett, Walter R.
Jones.
Flushing, St. George's Church, James Lowerre.
Hempstead, St. George's Church, with Trinity Chapel, Rockaway, William
J. Clowes.
Jamaica, Grace Church, John Skidmore, Walter Nichols, John A. King.
Manhasset, Christ Church, Daniel E. Smith.
Newtown, St. James' Church, George J. Rapelye.
Ravenswood, St. Thomas' Church, Richard Sterling.
- Rensselaer county.* *Troy*, St. John's Church, Francis N. Mann, John H. Wil-
lard.
St. Paul's Church, Stephen Warren, Walter W. Webb.
- Richmond county.* *Richmond*, St. Andrew's Church, with Trinity Chapel, Fac-
toryville, James Guyon, James W. Johnson.
Tompkinsville, St. Paul's Church, A. Gordon, A. G. Dixon.
- Saratoga county.* *Ballston Spa*, Christ Church, James Mann.
Waterford, Grace Church, John Knickerbocker, C. Ellis.
- Schenectady county.* *Schenectady*, St. George's Church, Thomas Palmer, David
Hearsey, John J. De Graff.
- St. Lawrence county.* *Potsdam*, Trinity Church, Zenas Clark.
- Ulster county.* *Kingston*, St. John's Church, John H. Rutzer.
Marlborough, Christ Church, Joseph Hipworth.
Ulster, Trinity Church, — Kellogg, Charles Deas.
- Washington county.* *Whitehall*, St. Paul's Church, Warren F. Hitchcock, Hub-
bard M. Daley.

Westchester county. Bedford, St. Matthew's Church, Samuel H. Miller, John Jay.

Eastchester, St. Paul's Church, Robert Bartow, Ogden Hammond.

Greenburgh, Zion Church, J. A. Constant.

Mamaroneck, St. Thomas' Church, Benjamin M. Brown, Garret Vermilye.

New Rochelle, Trinity Church, Isaac U. Coles, Philip R. Underhill.

North Salem, St. James' Church, Joshua Purdy.

Rye, Christ Church, David Brooks, William Bush, Jesse Purdy.

Somers, St. Luke's Church, Joshua Purdy.

Tarry Town, Christ Church, Ebenezer Irving, N. B. Holmes, Charles F. Smith.

Westchester, St. Peter's Church, Benjamin M'Vickar, Francis Barretto, Governor M. Wilkins.

Whiteplains, Grace Church, Allan Macdonald.

The following Clergymen, entitled to seats, were not present at the Convention:—

REV. JASPER ADAMS, D. D.

" Norman H. Adams,
" William Baker,
" William Barlow,
" William H. A. Bissel,
" Robert Campbell,
" Caleb Clapp,
" Thomas W. Coit, D. D.
" William C. Cooley,
" Kingston Goddard,
" Robert W. Harris,
" Abram B. Hart,
" John Hughes,
" Andrew Hull,
" Aaron Humphrey,

REV. RAVAUD KEARNY,

" John Knill,
" John M'Vickar, D. D.
" Edward N. Mead,
" John Noble,
" Isaac Pardee,
" Alonzo Potter, D. D.
" Albin K. Putnam,
" Thomas C. Reed,
" James C. Richmond,
" Daniel Shepherd,
" Cyrus Stebbins, D. D.
" James Thompson,
" Samuel H. Turner, D. D.

The following Clergymen, not members of the Convention, were present at its sittings:—

Right Rev. Levi S. Ives, D. D., of North Carolina.

Rev. Moses Marcus, Rev. Samuel Nichols, Rev. George W. Nichols, Rev. Benjamin O. Peers, Rev. George Sayres, of the Diocese of New-York.

Rev. Salmon Wheaton, D. D., of Rhode Island.

Rev. Edmund D. Barry, D. D., Rev. John M. Ward, Rev. Samuel H. Warner, of New Jersey.

Rev. Caleb S. Ives, of Alabama.

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE CONVENTION.

NEW-YORK, THURSDAY, OCTOBER 3, 1839.

THIS being the day fixed by the Constitution of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of New-York, for the meeting of the Annual Convention of the same, the Right Rev. Benjamin Tredwell Onderdonk, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese, with a large number of the Clergy and Laity, assembled at 10 o'clock, A. M., in St. Paul's Chapel, in the City of New-York, the place appointed by the Bishop for the meeting.

Morning prayers were read by the Rev. Thomas Lyell, D. D., assisted by the Rev. William Berrian, D. D., and a sermon was preached by the Bishop, who then admitted the Rev. Horatio Southgate, Deacon, to the Holy Order of Priests, and administered the sacrament of the Lord's Supper, in which he was assisted by the Right Rev. Bishop Ives, and the Rev. Drs. Milnor and Vaughan.

The Convention was then called to order by the Bishop, and on motion, it was

Resolved, That the Right Rev. Bishop Ives, of North Carolina, be invited to attend the sittings of this Convention, and that a chair be provided for him on the right of the President; whereupon the Bishop was introduced by the President and took his seat.

The Assistant Secretary of the last Convention then proceeded, under the Bishop's direction, to call the names of such of the Clergy of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of New-York, as by the Constitution are entitled to seats in the Convention; when the following gentlemen answered to their names and took their seats as members: viz.—

Right Rev. Benjamin T. Onderdonk, D. D., Rev. George B. Andrews, Henry Anthon, D. D., Deodatus Babcock, Lewis P. W. Balch, Lewis P. Bayard, D. D., Amos B. Beach, William Berrian, D. D.,

Robert Bolton, Thomas S. Brittan, John Brown, John W. Brown, J. Dixon Carder, William M. Carmichael, Peter S. Chauncey, James P. F. Clarke, Joseph H. Coit, James W. Cooke, Richard Cox, William Creighton, D. D., William A. Curtis, Benjamin C. Cutler, D. D., Edward Davis, Henry M. Davis, John Dowdney, Palmer Dyer, Manton Eastburn, D. D., Benjamin Evans, John Murray Forbes, Edward K. Fowler, Alexander Fraser, Samuel Fuller, John M. Garfield, Frederick J. Goodwin, Benjamin I. Haight, Frederick W. Hatch, Francis L. Hawks, D. D., Caleb S. Henry, D. D., Edward Y. Higbee, Origen P. Holcomb, Reuben Hubbard, Joseph Hunter, Hiram Jelliff, Evan M. Johnson, William L. Johnson, Charles Jones, Lot Jones, William I. Kipp, Thomas Lyell, D. D., Amos D. M'Coy, Thomas Mallaby, Solon W. Manney, Darwin B. Mason, M. D., James Milnor, D. D., David Moore, William Morris, Alfred H. Partridge, Isaac Peck, Joseph F. Phillips, Jesse Pound, William Powell, Joseph H. Price, Lucius M. Purdy, Smith Pyne, John Reed, D. D., William Richmond, John Scovill, Charles Seabury, Samuel Seabury, D. D., Robert Shaw, George A. Shelton, Richard C. Shimeall, Hugh Smith, D. D., Orsamus H. Smith, Isaac Swart, Henry W. Sweetzer, Thomas House Taylor, D. D., Anthony Ten Broeck, William B. Thomas, Alvi T. Twing, Robert B. Van Kleeck, Antoine Verren, Jonathan M. Wainwright, D. D., William F. Walker, William H. Walter, Phineas L. Whipple, William R. Whittingham, D. D., Ebenezer Williams.

The Churches of the Diocese were then called in order, when the following gentlemen appeared as Lay Delegates and took their seats : viz. from

<i>Counties.</i>	<i>Churches.</i>	<i>Delegates.</i>
Albany,	St. Peter's, Albany,	John S. Wendell.
		Sandford Cobb.
Columbia,	Christ, Hudson,	James Fleming.
Dutchess,	Trinity, Fishkill,	Gulian C. Verplanck.
	St. Anna's, " Land-	
	[ing,	James S. Rumsey, M. D.
		Henry H. Elliott.
		Amasa Alden.
	St. James', Hyde Park,	David Collins, jun.
		Edmund H. Pendleton.
	Christ, Poughkeepsie,	William T. Belden.
		John L. Fonda.
	St. Paul's, "	Hubert Van Wagenen.
Franklin,	St. Mark's, Malone,	Luther Bradish.
Greene,	Calvary, Cairo,	George Wickes.
	St. Luke's, Catskill,	Charles C. W. Cleaveland.
	Christ, Greeneville,	Reuben Rundle.

<i>Counties.</i>	<i>Churches.</i>	<i>Delegates.</i>
Herkimer,	Emmanuel, Little Falls,	Christopher Smith. Henry McKay.
Kings,	St. Ann's, Brooklyn,	Hosea Webster. D. B. Douglas.
	St. John's, "	Ezekiel Ostrander. Phineas Baldwin.
	St. Mary's, "	John Hammel.
	St. Paul's, "	Joseph Ellison. N. F. Waring.
New-York,	All Saints', New-York.	James Burges. Robert S. Bartow. William Stebbins. John H. Williams. Cornelius Oakley. William H. Bell. John Randolph.
	Annunciation, "	William H. Hobart, M. D. Charles Taylor.
	Calvary, "	G. P. Pollen.
	Christ, "	Joseph F. Lippitt.
	Nativity, "	Thomas B. Lippitt.
	St. Andrew's, "	John A. Sidell.
	St. Bartholomew's, "	Thomas Ward, M. D. Samuel Jones.
	St. Clement's, "	Henry Jackson.
	St. Esprit, "	Andrew Pollock.
	St. George's,	Gulian C. Verplanck. John Granger, M. D.
	St. Luke's, "	John Stearns, M. D. Brittian L. Woolley. William Whitlock.
	St. Mark's, "	Henry Ritter. Floyd Smith. Charles N. S. Rowland.
	St. Michael's, "	John R. Satterlee.
	St. Peter's, "	John L. Lawrence. Isaac Carow. James Heard. John W. Mitchell.
	St. Stephen's, "	James Macdonald.
	St. Thomas', "	Clement C. Moore. John D. Ogden. Edmund Hurry.
		James W. Dominick.
		William Nelson.
		T. L. Servoss.

<i>Counties.</i>	<i>Churches.</i>	<i>Delegates.</i>
New-York.	Trinity, with St. Paul's and St. John's Chapels,	Nehemiah Rogers. Thomas L. Ogden. William Johnson. William H. Harison.
	Zion, New-York,	John G. Graff. William Thorn. Frederick Pentz. Smith Barker.
Orange,	St. George's, Newburgh,	Moses Ely.
Putnam,	St. Andrew's, Walden,	George Weller.
Queen's,	Christ, Patterson,	Frederick Stone.
	St. George's, Astoria,	George Chance.
	St. John's, Cold Spring Harbor,	Charles Hewlett. Walter R. Jones.
	St. George's, Flushing,	James Lowerre.
	St. George's, Hempstead, with Trinity Chapel at Rockaway,	Wm. J. Clowes.
	Grace, Jamaica,	John Skidmore. Walter Nichols.
Rensselaer,	St. Paul's, Troy,	John A. King. Stephen Warren.
		Walter W. Webb.
Richmond,	St. Andrew's, Richmond, with Trinity Chapel, Factoryville,	James Guion. James W. Johnson.
	St. Paul's, Tompkinsville,	A. Gordon.
Saratoga,	Christ, Ballston Spa,	A. G. Dixon.
	Grace, Waterford,	James Mann.
		John Knickerbocker.
		C. Ellis.
Schenectady,	St. George's, Schenectady,	Thomas Palmer.
		David Hearsey.
St. Lawrence,	Trinity, Potsdam,	John J. De Graff.
Ulster,	St. John's, Kingston.	Zenas Clark.
Washington,	St. Paul's, Whitehall.	John H. Rutzer.
Westchester,	St. Matthew's, Bedford,	Warren F. Hitchcock.
		Samuel H. Miller.
		John Jay.
	St. Paul's, Eastchester.	Robert Bartow.
		Ogden Hammond.
	Zion, Greenburgh,	J. A. Constant.
	St. Thomas', Mamaroneck,	Benjamin M. Brown.
		Garret Vermilye.

<i>Counties.</i>	<i>Churches.</i>	<i>Delegates.</i>
Westchester,	Trinity, New Rochelle,	Isaac U. Coles.
		Philip R. Underhill.
	St. James', North Salem,	Joshua Purdy.
	Christ, Tarry Town,	Ebenezer Irving.
		N. B. Holmes.
		Charles F. Smith.
	St. Peter's, Westchester,	Benjamin M. Vickar, M.D.
		Francis Barretto.
	Grace, Whiteplains,	Allan Macdonald.

The Convention then proceeded to the appointment of a Secretary.

The Rev. Dr. Hawks nominated the Rev. Benjamin I. Haight. A vote by ballot was on motion unanimously dispensed with, when the Rev. Mr. Haight was unanimously chosen.

The Secretary announced to the Convention that he had appointed the Rev. Lewis P. W. Balch his Assistant.

The Bishop announced, that by the 16th Rule of Order, clergymen belonging to this Diocese, but not entitled to seats in this Convention, clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church not belonging to this Diocese, and Professors and Students of Theology in the Protestant Episcopal Church, were admitted to the sittings of the Convention.

The Chair then announced the following Standing Committees :

On the Incorporation of Churches.

William Johnson, Esq., Rev. William L. Johnson, Hon. Samuel Jones.

On the Diocesan Fund.

Rev. Dr. Bayard, Rev. Orsamus H. Smith, Messrs. William H. Harison, Walter W. Webb, and the Treasurer.

On the Treasurer's Report.

Messrs. C. C. Moore, Isaac Carow, and John L. Wendell.

On the Theological Seminary.

Rev. Dr. Creighton, Rev. E. M. Johnson, and Messrs. Stephen Warren, Dr. McDonald, and Gulian C. Verplanck.

On motion of Mr. Floyd Smith,

Resolved, that the Committee on the Diocesan Fund report particularly upon the present state of that fund, showing its amount and

debts at the time of the opening of this Convention, and the probable expenses of the present meeting.

The hour of adjournment, according to the rules of order, having arrived, the House adjourned until to-morrow morning, 9 o'clock.

FRIDAY MORNING, 9 O'CLOCK.

The Convention met. Morning prayers were read by the Rev. John Brown, after which the Bishop took the chair.

At the calling of the roll, the following clergymen not present yesterday answered to their names, viz., Rev. Hiram Adams, Alexander H. Cull, Sturges Gilbert, Frederick J. Goodwin, Samuel M. Haskins, Thomas S. Judd, John D. Ogilby, Horatio Potter, D. D., Reuben Sherwood, and Frederick T. Tiffany.

Also the following Lay Delegates :

<i>Counties.</i>	<i>Churches.</i>	<i>Delegates.</i>
King's, New-York,	St. John's, Brooklyn,	James E. Underhill.
	All Saints, New-York,	Thomas S. Underhill.
	Christ Church, "	Matthew Keeler.
Orange, Rennselaer,	St. Clement's, "	A. G. Valentine.
		Samuel B. Romaine.
	St. George's, "	William H. Mott.
	St. George's, Newburgh,	James I. Hoyt.
	St. John's, Troy,	Oliver Davis.
Westchester,		Francis N. Mann.
	St. Peter's, Westchester,	John H. Willard.
		Gouverneur M. Wilkins.

The following gentlemen then presented certificates, answered to their names, and took their seats :

<i>Counties.</i>	<i>Churches.</i>	<i>Delegates.</i>
Queen's, New-York,	St. James', Newtown,	George I. Rapelye,
	Ch. of the Ascension, New-York,	Peter A. Jay.
Ulster,		Abel T. Anderson.
	Christ, Marlborough,	Joseph Hipworth.
	Trinity, Ulster,	— Kellogg.
Westchester,		Charles Deas.
	St. Paul's, Whitehall,	Hubbard M. Daley.
	Christ, Rye,	William Bush.
		Jesse Purdy.

The Committee on the Incorporation of Churches presented the following

REPORT.

The Committee to whom was referred the certificates of the Incorporation of Churches, respectfully report :

That by the certificates examined by them, it appears that the following Churches have been duly incorporated, according to law ; viz.

St. Thomas' Church, in the village of Ravenswood, Queens county.

St. Timothy's Church, in the town of Westford, Otsego county.

St. Peter's Church, Pawlingsville, in the town of Pawlings, Dutchess county.

St. Luke's Church, in the town of Somers, Westchester county.

As to the certificate of the Incorporation of Trinity Church, Albany, the proof of its execution appears to be defective. The subscribing witness proves its execution by *two* only of the persons who signed it, and there is a mistake as to the name of the other subscribing witness. The Committee are of opinion that the law requires that the execution of the certificate by all the *three* signers should be acknowledged or proved.

WM. JOHNSON.

WM. L. JOHNSON.

S. JONES.

The question being put separately upon the admission into union with the Convention of each of the Churches reported by the Committee to be regularly incorporated, they were received by the Convention.

Whereupon the Rev. William Staunton, Rector of St. Thomas' Church, Ravenswood, and the following Lay Delegates appeared and took their seats :

<i>Counties.</i>	<i>Churches.</i>	<i>Delegates.</i>
Dutchess,	St. Peter's, Pawlingsville,	Joseph P. Lee.
Queens,	St. Thomas', Ravenswood,	Richard Sterling.
Westchester,	St. Luke's, Somers,	Joshua Purdy.

The Bishop then, in compliance with the Canon, delivered the following

ADDRESS.

MY BRETHREN OF THE CLERGY AND LAITY,—

THE process by which the Episcopate of this Diocese has been placed on its present very desirable footing of entire independence, in its support, of special parochial provision, has made it my duty, before now, to bring to your notice circumstances apparently personal, but in reality connected with the best interests of the Church.

You are aware that by very essential aid from the munificent corporation of Trinity Church in this city, the episcopal fund was raised, some time since, to a sufficient amount to furnish, in the interest of the capital, a comfortable support for your Bishop. As stated by me on a former occasion, the liberal designs of that corporation did not end here. It had in view the providing also of a suitable permanent residence for the Bishop. This provision has now been made, and a house, well fitted for the purpose, has been, within the past year, secured to the Diocese for the residence of the Diocesan for the time being—a circumstance combining great personal comfort and convenience to him, with much obvious benefit to the Church.

I trust you will not only excuse, but regard as highly proper, the transition from this to another point, which presents itself to my mind with great force, and much affecting interest. I mean the subject generally of the comfortable support of the clergy. I fear that in extending to them what support they are allowed, the people, under the influence of very unsound principles and feelings on the subject, too often fall short of Christian consistency, without any deliberate intention on their part, and without even the consciousness, of acting in contrariety to their religious profession.

One most serious delusion on this subject, is the idea that what is thus done is voluntary, in the strictest sense of the term ; that is, a thing which they may do, or may not do, at their pleasure. They regard the Church as an institution which they may sustain, or decline sustaining, or sustain meanly, or liberally, just as they may any other which is presented to them as promotive of the public interests. They do not consider that the services and ordinances of the Church are appointed for purposes most intimately connected with their duty to God, and with their own spiritual welfare here and hereafter. The ministry has deposited with it, by the Divine Head of the Church, authority and power in matters which the word of God has joined in essential union with a state of favor with him in this world and the next. On the ministerial functions resulting from that authority and power, the Christian *must* attend, if he would serve God in the way of His own appointment, and hope for the fulfilment on himself of the blessed promises of His revelation. The support of those ministrations, therefore, is not left to him as a matter of choice. It is an imperative Christian duty, for the discharge of which he will be called to an account at the bar of God. He is not at liberty to consider this duty as a favor done to others. It is a matter of bounden obligation to his God, and of the most vital im-

portance to himself. If any practicable pains and efforts of his have been omitted to secure to himself the benefits of the ministry of reconciliation, the want of those benefits will be an offence against the law and will of God, and a wicked neglect of his own soul, for which the great and good Being thus insulted will call him into judgment.

I pray you, brethren, lay these things to heart. It may suit a captious spirit, and one which would shake off unwelcome responsibilities and duties, to regard the introduction of this topic here as giving undue prominence to the mere temporal support of the clergy. But this gives me no concern. I have suggested a view of the subject prominent in God's holy word, and feel a confidence that I have a strong hold for its pertinency and propriety in the sound good sense of all who will apply to it an impartial and enlightened judgment, and a truly scriptural view of Gospel faith and piety.

I proceed to the accustomed detail of services through the year.

Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity, October 7, at a special confirmation in St. Stephen's Church, *New-York*, confirmed 1.

October 12, received from the Bishop of the Diocese of Michigan, canonical notice of his having displaced from the ministry, agreeably to the canon providing for the case of a clergyman renouncing the same, the Rev. John Fenton, a Deacon of that diocese.

Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity, October 14, instituted the Rev. Lewis P. W. Balch into the rectorship of St. Bartholomew's Church, *New-York*; on which occasion I had the pleasure of the company of my Right Reverend Brother the Bishop of the Diocese of North Carolina, who did me the favor of taking a part in the institution service.

Tuesday, 16, in Christ Church, *Greeneville, Greene county*, admitted to Priest's Orders the Rev. John Scovill, Deacon, the minister of that Church, and assistant minister of St. Paul's Church, *Oakhill*; herein aiding in his duties the Rev. James Thompson, the aged missionary who has so long labored in these parishes, and who continues to do so as far as infirmities incident to more than three score and ten years will admit. Mr. Scovill has since resigned his connection with St. Paul's.

Saturday, 20, in Trinity Church, *Granville, Washington county*, admitted the Rev. Darwin B. Mason, M. D., Deacon, the missionary there, to the priesthood; and in the afternoon confirmed 9.

Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity, October 21, in the unfinished St. Paul's Church, *Whitehall*, preached and administered the communion, and in the afternoon confirmed 2.

Thursday, 25, in Christ Church, Sherburne, *Chenango county*,—admitted to Priest's Orders the Rev. Thomas J. Ruger, Deacon, the missionary there, and preached again in the afternoon.

In the evening, preached in Emmanuel Church, Norwich.

Twentieth Sunday after Trinity, and Festival of St. Simon and St. Jude the Apostles, October 28, in the court-house, Owego, *Tioga county*, the usual place of worship of the parish of St. Paul's Church, admitted the Rev. John Bayley, Deacon, the missionary there, to the Priesthood, and in the afternoon confirmed 1.

Monday, 29, preached in St. Mark's Church, Candor.

Tuesday, 30, confirmed 5 in St. John's Church, Johnson's Settlement, *Chemung county*.

Wednesday, 31, preached in St. James' Church, Jefferson.

This was the last service growing out of my pastoral connexion with the Diocese of New-York as comprising the whole state. In the course of a few hours from this time, an important and most interesting portion of it became what is now the Diocese of Western New-York; and I would here express my affectionate and grateful remembrance of the kind sensibility evinced in the parishes visited after the division of the Diocese became certain, at the prospect of those being the last pastoral visits to be received from me—a sensibility which my beloved brethren and friends may rest well assured was most cordially reciprocated.

It will probably be not an unacceptable application of the design of the Church in requiring these stated reports of episcopal labors, if I now pause for a moment in the detail of those for the past year, and look back from the period when the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of New-York ceased to be a single Diocese, upon what the Lord had pleased to do for it, through His servants its Bishops. There was no provision for annual episcopal addresses until the year 1808, when they were commenced by our second Bishop, the late venerable and beloved Dr. Benjamin Moore. So soon, however, after that period, did it please God, in his afflictive providence, to deprive him of physical ability to discharge the high functions of his office, that the Convention received from him but three annual reports. They comprised the following particulars :—

Priests ordained, 9; Deacons ordained, 17; churches consecrated, 5; persons confirmed, 1451.

The diocese then passed to the care of my immediate predecessor, whose praise is in all the churches, and of whose episcopate of be-

tween nineteen and twenty years, the following acts are reported :*

Priests ordained, 113 ; Deacons ordained, 150 ; churches consecrated, 80 ; persons confirmed, 11,678.

During the period of nearly eight years that the Diocese of the State of New-York was under the episcopate of him who now addresses you, the following is the summary of Episcopal acts :—

Priests ordained, 112 ; Deacons ordained, 148 ; churches consecrated, 96 ; persons confirmed, 8896.

Thus it appears that for the last thirty years of the Diocese of the State of New-York—the period during which the canons provided for annual reports of Episcopal acts—there were reported,—

Priests ordained, 234 ; Deacons ordained, 315 ; churches consecrated, 181 ; persons confirmed, 22,025.

As further indicative of the progressive growth which God was pleased to give to that diocese, reference may be made to the lists of its clergy published with the Journals of the General Conventions from that of 1792. They exhibit the following numbers in the years respectively :—

In 1792, 20 ; in 1795, 24 ; in 1799, 21 ; in 1801, 23 ; in 1804, 32 ; in 1808, 38 ; in 1811, 47 ; in 1814, 56 ; in 1817, 68 ; in 1820, 74 ; in 1823, 93 ; in 1826, 114 ; in 1829, 129 ; in 1832, 163 ; in 1835, 192 ; and in 1838, 246.

In 1817, the number of congregations in the Diocese began first to be reported to the General Convention. The numbers reported from that time have been as follows :—

In 1817, 115 ; in 1820, 118 ; in 1823, 127 ; in 1826, 153 ; in 1829, 163 ; in 1832, 188 ; in 1835, 214 ; and in 1838, 238.

Such, brethren, are a few of the statistics of the Diocese which, on the first day of November last, ceased to comprise—as it had done since the severance of our country from the British dominions—the whole State of New-York. They certainly throw light on much of blessing vouchsafed it from on high, and exhibit a gradual increase of God's appointed means of the religious and moral amelioration of our race, cheering to the heart of him who views with an eye of a patriot and a friend of man, the immense accession of population which is yearly spreading over the surface of our country. That greater results might have been expected to have flowed from a fuller

* A few episcopal acts performed for Bishop Hobart by brethren in the episcopacy, during his two years absence from the country, are here included.

and more fairly proportioned appropriation of the means which a beneficent Providence has entrusted to the members of the Church with- in this State, from more faithful prayer for His blessing, and from a more thorough and consistent shining, in the lives and characters of the members of the Church, of those good works, in the faith, holiness, and virtue of the Gospel, which illustrate its benign and purifying efficacy, cannot be doubted. Let us, however, be duly thankful for the measure of blessing with which we have been visited; and penitently sensible, each for his own remissness in whatever of failure in greater measures of Christian instrumentality and efficiency his conscience may recall, let all resolve, in humble dependence on God's grace, daily to increase, more and more, in devotion to the enlargement and best interests of the Redeemer's kingdom.

It is true, the outward prosperity of that kingdom is by no means a necessary index of its inward and spiritual welfare. But where that prosperity is not the result of extraneous influences bearing upon it from the enlisting in its behalf of civil power, honor, and wealth, it is a fair ground of presumption that it has engaged in its interests, not only the intelligent approval of its members, but also, at least in a good degree, their heartfelt devotion, and those principles, views, and feelings, which, wrought in them by the power of the Holy Ghost, have promise of special blessing from on high. And while on this point, it may be allowed one who, for many years, has had peculiarly favorable opportunities of personal knowledge of his beloved brethren the clergy of the two Dioceses within this state, and for several, of personal observation of their respective fields of labor, to bear testimony, as he does with great satisfaction, to the general evangelical fidelity of their ministrations, and to the success with which God has blessed them in the increase among their people of those fruits of the Spirit which are the scriptural evidences of the true faith and vital piety of the Gospel. May the same blessing continue to rest upon them, and upon those who, in either diocese, may be associated with them, or succeed them, in their Master's work! In humility, constancy, and fidelity of ministration, may they see that work prosper in their hands; judging themselves, that they be not judged of the Lord, for whatever room may still be left among the people of their charge either for error in religion or for viciousness of life, and making it a ground of more zealous effort and more fervent prayer, may they be sustained, comforted, and prospered, in their holy labors, until they are taken to the gracious recompense of reward!

In connection with this retrospect of the past history of the diocese, I wish to suggest to the Convention the value and importance of adopting some measure that may encourage a republication of all our Journals. It is not probable that six complete sets could now be found. Every clergyman and parish should have a set. A correct knowledge of the history of past legislation, is one of the most effectual checks upon that which is hasty and ill-judged.

On the day after the rendering of my last service to the diocese of the state of New-York, that is, on Thursday, November 1, the festival of All Saints, the new diocese formed within its bounds commenced its existence. I had received so kindly and affectionately expressed a desire by and in behalf of, leading clergymen and laymen of what was then to become the new diocese, to be present with them, preach the opening sermon, and administer the Lord's Supper, at their Primary Convention, that I attended for that purpose, on the above-mentioned day, in Trinity Church, Geneva, *Ontario county*, the appointed place for the meeting of the Convention, and performed those ministrations. One of the first acts, as you are aware, of that Convention, was the placing of the diocese, agreeably to a canon of the General Convention, under my temporary charge and jurisdiction. This renewal of my episcopal relation to brethren and friends so much and justly beloved, was indeed most grateful to me, and rendered doubly so by the kind and affectionate manner in which their act was performed. The Convention was blessed with manifest tokens of the presence and favor of the Divine Head of the Church. Its principal act, the election of a godly and eminently qualified presbyter for advancement to the episcopate of the diocese—is well known to you as having caused great joy to the Church, and is to be, in a subsequent part of this address, matter of farther grateful reference.

Leaving Geneva the morning after the adjournment of the Convention, I continued in the Diocese of Western New-York until Wednesday, November 7, when I returned to this diocese, and on the following day, Thursday, 8, in the morning, baptized an adult, and confirmed 17, in St. George's Church, *Schenectady*; and preached there again in the evening. I was happy to find this ancient edifice much enlarged and improved, and still more happy to be informed of the cheering evidence of God's blessing upon the parish furnished by the fact of that enlargement, though very considerable, being hardly equal to the increasing numbers who there wait on the holy ministrations of the sanctuary.

November 27, received from the Bishop of the Diocese of New

Jersey, canonical notice of his having displaced from the ministry, agreeably to the canon providing for the case of a clergyman renouncing the same, the Rev. S. Edwin Arnold, a presbyter of that Diocese.

Advent Sunday, December 2, confirmed 19 in the chapel of Christ Church, *Brooklyn*.

Third Sunday in Advent, December 16, confirmed 43 in the Church of the Annunciation, *New-York*. Although, as is usual, and much to be desired, a portion of these were of other parishes, in which confirmations were not soon expected, the portion was small, leaving a balance of more than 30, which afforded a gratifying evidence of the success of pastoral labors in a parish which had not yet been nine months in existence.

Fourth Sunday in Advent, December 23, in St. Thomas' Church, admitted Benjamin M. Yarrington to Deacons' Orders.

Mr. Yarrington has since removed, by letter of dismissal, to the Diocese of Connecticut.

Sunday after Christmas, December 30, confirmed 38 in Trinity Church.

Festival of the Epiphany, Sunday, January 6, in St. Matthew's Church, Bedford, *Westchester county*, admitted George W. Nichols to Deacons' Orders.

In the afternoon, confirmed 6. In the evening, preached again for the same parish, in the Methodist Chapel, in a distant and more central part of the village.

First Sunday after the Epiphany, January 13, confirmed 39 in St. Paul's Chapel, *New-York*.

Septuagesima Sunday, January 27, confirmed 43 in St. John's Chapel.

Quinquagesima Sunday, February 10, confirmed 37 in St. Mark's Church.

Second Sunday in Lent, and Festival of St. Matthias the Apostle, February 24, confirmed 26 in St. John's Church, *Brooklyn*.

Fourth Sunday in Lent, March 10, confirmed 31 in Christ Church, *New-York*.

Saturday, 16, in St. Anna's Church, Fishkill Landing, *Dutchess county*, admitted to the Priesthood the Rev. Anthony Ten Broeck, Deacon, the minister of the parish.

Fifth Sunday in Lent, March 17, instituted Mr. Ten Broeck into the rectorship of the Church.

In the afternoon, baptized a child, and preached, in St. George's Church, Newburgh, *Orange county*.

In the evening, confirmed 6 in St. Anna's Church, Fishkill Landing.

Monday, 18, confirmed a sick member of the same parish in her chamber.

Sunday next before Easter, March 24, confirmed 4 in the French Church Du St. Esprit, New-York.

You are well aware, brethren, of the calamity which has since befallen this parish, by the conflagration of its splendid House of Prayer. Our brethren of the Church of the Ascension in this city have also a claim on our sympathies for the same affliction. Nor does the claim stop here. St. Luke Church, Catskill, Greene county, has also been burnt. These buildings, I am happy to say, were all insured—a security against loss which it were reckless improvidence for any vestry to neglect—so reckless, indeed, as to be in itself sufficient greatly to weaken, if not entirely to destroy, reasonable claim to aid in the rebuilding of a burnt edifice.

The churches Du St. Esprit, and of the Ascension, are two of three of our churches in this city, which are now in ruins—a singular fact, which, I doubt not, has excited your special observation, and which is particularly brought to mind by the almost unprecedented circumstance of our Convention being held in this chapel. The parish church of Trinity Parish, around which clustered so many holy, interesting, and affecting reminiscences, and in which the deliberations of this, and other ecclesiastical bodies, have so often been held, though not an ancient building, was found in such an insecure state as to render necessary its entire removal. There is every reason to hope, however, that by the blessing of Divine Providence, it will be succeeded by an edifice truly creditable to the age and nation, and a becoming monument of the Christian devotion and munificent character of the venerable corporation concerned.

First Sunday after Easter, April 7, confirmed 69 in St. Stephen's Church.

Second Sunday after Easter, April 14, confirmed 11 in Grace Church.

Thursday, 18, in St. George's Church, Flushing, Queens county, admitted Libertus Van Bokkelin, instructor in Natural Philosophy in St. Paul's College, College Point, to Deacons' Orders.

In the afternoon, confirmed 7. I was happy to find the church much enlarged, and greatly improved in its interior arrangements.

In the evening, confirmed 3 in a chapel at Clintonville, erected at his sole cost, on ground purchased by him for the purpose, by a

gentleman not of our communion ; and in which, by his permission, the building continuing his private property, our services are celebrated every Sunday afternoon, by the Rev. John B. Kerfoot, Deacon, chaplain and instructor in Greek and Latin in St. Paul's College. It is impossible to rank too high the value of such appropriations of wealth. The neighborhood in which this chapel is built, comprising, besides very neat and commodious arrangements for worship in its principal story, two excellent school rooms in the basement, stood in special need of the meliorating influences of Christian holiness and virtue ; and its erection, unconnected, as its position renders it, with any immediate benefit to the property of the benevolent owner, was the result of a disinterested desire to promote, in the best way, the best interests of the community. The building was designed for the use of any Christian denomination or denominations who might make arrangements for occupying it. The facility afforded by the proximity of St. Paul's College for its regular occupation a part of the day, led to Mr. Kerfoot's thus appropriating his services, with the cheerful acquiescence, and entire approbation, of the owner of the chapel. Members of the college also devote themselves, under Mr. Kerfoot's direction, to the care of a Sunday school in the basement rooms ; and the happiest results are beginning to be experienced. Would that examples were much increased of appropriations of wealth so truly honorable to its possessors, so meet a thank-offering to its bountiful Bestower, of such vital benefit to the community, and so productive of the individual happiness and welfare of fellow men !

Third Sunday after Easter, April 21, confirmed 53 in St. George's Church, *New-York*.

Fourth Sunday after Easter, April 28, confirmed 17 in St. Paul's Church, *Brooklyn*.

Friday, May 3, consecrated St. Paul's Church, Whitehall, *Washington county*, a most gratifying evidence of the forwardness to do good to the extent of their means, on the part of one of the youngest parishes of the Diocese ; and administered the communion.

In the afternoon, confirmed therein 21 persons.

It is always highly gratifying to see popular prejudice give way to enlightened reason, and sound principle. A pleasing manifestation of this has been made by this parish. The *sound principle* which repudiates the idea of the cross being the emblem of popery, and recognizes it as fitly symbolizing the precious faith of the religion of **THE CRUCIFIED**, has here prevailed, by the placing of that symbol on

the beautiful spire of St. Paul's. The progress of true Protestant feeling on this and kindred subjects, will doubtless be onward; and the example of it which I have had so much pleasure in recording, in two or three of our humbler parishes, will, in due time, be generally followed.

Fifth Sunday after Easter, or Rogation Sunday, May 5, in the morning, confirmed 17 in St. John's Church, Troy.

In the afternoon, preached in Grace Church, Waterford, *Saratoga county*.

On Wednesday and Thursday, May 8th and 9th, I attended, at Auburn, *Cayuga county*, a Special Convention of the Diocese of Western New-York, called for the purpose of witnessing the solemn and important event of the consecration of the first Bishop of that Diocese, the Right Reverend William Heathcote De Lancey, D. D., whose election, at the primary Convention, was noticed in a previous part of this address. This took place on the second day of the Convention, the festival of the Ascension of our Lord Jesus Christ, Thursday, May 9. The consecrator was the venerable Presiding Bishop of our Church, who cheerfully undertook so long a journey from his residence in Boston, in conformity with the wishes of the Diocese concerned. The other Bishops present were, the Bishops of Pennsylvania and New-Jersey. The warmth of Christian affection with which the newly consecrated Bishop was received by his Diocese, and which, I am happy to learn, has been strengthened during his subsequent laborious visitations, and let me thankfully add, with which my own separation from that beloved flock was regarded by them, gave to the whole season a sacred and deep-felt interest, which, I am sure, can never be erased from my heart.

There were also, I am confident you will be much rejoiced to learn, such clear evidences, on the part of both the Bishop and his Convention, of their coming together, under the influence, and with a determination for the constant maintenance, of the sound evangelical views of Christian faith, order, and duty, which have ever characterized the Church in New-York, as delightfully to strengthen the confidence that the unity, purity, harmony, and godly efficiency of that Church, will be nought affected by its division into two dioceses.

And this may be a fitting place for me to record another very valuable accession which has been made, since we last met, to the Episcopacy of our Church. I refer to the consecration, in December last, of the Right Reverend Leonidas Polk, D. D., whose election as Missionary Bishop for Arkansas and other South-Western

portions of our country, took place at the last General Convention.— This strengthening of the hands of our Senior Missionary Bishop is an event, not only of great general interest, but also of special promise from the excellent qualifications of the godly and well-learned man who was thus called to the high and holy function of the Missionary Episcopate, whence, by God's goodness, have flowed such great blessings to the Church.

But to this record of happy accessions to our Episcopate, God's dealings with the Church, during the last year, require that I make mournful addition of that of a heavy loss, in which our sister Diocese of South Carolina was the greatest sufferer. The Right Reverend Nathaniel Bowen, D. D., its good and faithful Bishop, has been called to his rest. Many of us, brethren, remember him as a brother Presbyter of this Diocese, and a fellow member of this body. Some of you know, by experience, with what exemplary fidelity he fulfilled, in this city, the duties of the parish priest.* And let me record my own grateful recollection of the marked fraternal kindness and confidence with which it was uniformly my happiness to be treated by him during our connection as brethren in the Episcopate. As one and another of the true sons of the Church, understanding well her interests, and honestly, faithfully, and affectionately devoted to them, are taken from us, it becomes those who are left to give to them the more earnest heed. Pray we, brethren, and strive we, that it may be so with us.

Sunday after the Ascension, May 12, for the parish of Christ Church, Herkimer, *Herkimer county*, in the court-house in that village, preached in the morning; and in the afternoon, baptized two children, and confirmed one person.

Tuesday, 14, in St. Luke's Church, Monticello, *Otsego county*, in the morning, confirmed 3, and preached again in the afternoon.

Wednesday, 15, for the parish of St. John's Church, Exeter, in the Methodist Chapel in that village, preached and administered the communion, and preached again in the afternoon.

Thursday, 16, in Christ Church, Gilbertsville, baptized an adult, and confirmed 9.

Friday, 17, in Zion Church, Louisville, admitted the minister of the parish, the Rev. Amos B. Beach, Deacon, to the Priesthood.

Mr. Beach had relinquished the missionary station at Walton, Delaware county, where he is succeeded by the Rev. Robert Camp-

* Bishop Bowen was the first rector of Grace Church, New-York.

bell, who resigned the rectorship of the above-mentioned St. Luke's Church, Monticello, a parish now supplied with a portion of the services of the Rev. Seth Davis, of the diocese of Western New-York.

Saturday, 18, in the same church, baptized an adult, instituted Mr. Beach into the rectorship, and confirmed 2.

Whitsunday, May 19, in the Methodist Chapel, for St. Timothy's Church, Westford, preached and administered the communion, and in the afternoon, baptized an adult, and confirmed 15.

Monday in Whitsun-week, May 20, in the Methodist Chapel, for Trinity Church, Cherry Valley, preached and administered the communion, and in the afternoon, baptized a child, and confirmed 17 persons.

Tuesday in Whitsun-week, May 21, instituted the Rev. Frederick T. Tiffany into the office of rector of Christ Church, Cooperstown.

It is now more than nineteen years since Mr. Tiffany, then in Deacon's Orders, entered on the pastoral charge of this parish. It is one of the first that was founded under the very laborious, extensive, and useful missionary ministrations of the late venerable Daniel Nash. Agreeably to Mr. Tiffany's desire, the connection of that good man with the parish, as its rector, did not cease until his death, in 1836; he, Mr. Tiffany, being only assistant minister, and taking the almost entire pastoral charge. Since that event, the precariousness of the acting pastor's health has stood in the way of his permanent settlement as rector. His serious privation of health, reported by me last year, being, by God's blessing, in a good degree removed, and himself and his affectionate flock being encouraged to anticipate his permanent physical ability to discharge the pastoral functions, the above-mentioned institution took place. It was a delightful evidence of the tendency of long-continued faithful pastoral labor in *one flock*, to strengthen a clergyman's hold on the affections and confidence of his people, and thus contribute to his substantial and permanent usefulness.

I was happy to find measures on foot, in this parish, mainly through female enterprise, for the enlargement and improvement of its church.

Wednesday, 22, in Immanuel Church, Little Falls, *Herkimer county*, preached in the morning, in the afternoon confirmed one, and preached again in the evening.

Thursday, 23, in Trinity Church, Fairfield, in the morning baptized an infant and preached, and in the afternoon preached again.

Friday, 24, in the morning preached in a church at Norway, of

which the Episcopalians are part owners, for the parish of Grace Church.

In the afternoon, preached in the Baptist Church, Newport.

Trinity Sunday, May 26, for the congregation of St. Stephen's Church, Fonda, *Montgomery county*, preached, morning and afternoon, in the court-house.

Monday, 27, in St. John's Church, Johnstown; *Fulton county*, in the morning confirmed 5, and preached again in the afternoon.

Wednesday, 29, preached in St. Ann's Church, Port Jackson, *Montgomery county*.

Friday, 31, confirmed 33 in St. George's Church, *Schenectady*.

Since my visit to this parish, in November last, when 17 persons, as noticed in a former part of the address, were confirmed, the then rector, the Rev. Aldert Smedes, jun., had been compelled, by impaired health, to resign his charge; and I now found him succeeded by his very intimate and dear personal friend, the Rev. William H. Walter, in whose settlement it would be difficult to say whether the vestry were more moved by an affectionate desire to pay the utmost proper regard to the wishes and feelings of the retiring rector, or by the just convictions of their understandings, that they were thereby doing the best service to the parish which they represented. The interest attached to this visit was to me of a very peculiar and heartfelt character, connected as the parish's high degree of spiritual prosperity is with circumstances attending the dissolution of its late, and the forming of its present pastoral relation, which commend themselves to the very best of our Christian feelings. The late rector continued for some time to reside in the parish, enjoying the well-earned affection and confidence of the people whom he so faithfully served, aiding, as he had ability, his successor in the charge, and doing what he might to promote his usefulness. He has since removed to this city, and engaged in that department of usefulness so intimately connected with the interests of the Church and the commonwealth—female education.

Mr. Walter had previously resigned the rectorship of St. Paul's Church, Tompkinsville, Richmond county, where he is succeeded by the Rev. Amos D. McCoy, removed from the diocese of Michigan.

Saturday, June 1, consecrated Christ Church, *Troy*. This is the third church of our communion in that interesting and enterprising city; which, I ought to add, is the only city in the state, except New-York and Brooklyn, which has that number. This, however, will not be very surprising to those who are acquainted with the character-

istic liberality of its citizens, and with the strong hold there maintained by sound and consistent churchmanship. The latter is the result of God's blessing on the enlightened instructions and consistent practice, faithfully followed up by his successors and their associates, of the first minister of the church in Troy, the Rev. David Butler, D. D. That venerable man, whose presence at the consecration of Christ Church added much to its interest, still resides in the parish of which he was the faithful pastor for about thirty years, and which, when he commenced his labors there, had but three communicants, and no house of worship. A small church was soon built, and afterwards enlarged. In due time the present spacious and elegant parish church of St. Paul was reared, and the former one disposed of to the then newly incorporated parish of St. John's. Now the first pastor of the little band thus expanding itself, and furnishing materials for new organizations, lives to see the third church within the bounds of his original cure solemnly consecrated to God, and promising to be an efficient instrument in the promoting of His glory, and the spiritual and eternal good of His people.

The interior of Christ Church is favorably distinguished from the great mass of modern churches, by a reversion to the ancient Gospel model, whereby the commemoration of Christ's atoning sacrifice, and the seeking, by devout participation of the divinely constituted symbols of the body and blood therein offered, of its spiritual and eternal blessings, are presented to the people as the leading objects of their religious assemblies. The altar holds its proper distinguished station, having suitably provided places, on its right, for the daily prayers, and on its left for preaching.

A very natural association of ideas, brings to my mind a request, frequently made, that I would express my opinion as to whether the portions of the communion service which the Church requires to be read on all Sundays and holy days, should be so from the desk or the altar. Both are allowed. My own opinion, however—and I speak it with a full recognition of the right of my reverend brethren to use herein their own discretion—is decidedly in favor of the latter. The reasons for this custom usually given by ritualists are doubtless familiar to the clergy, even if they do not prove as satisfactory to their minds as they certainly do to my own.

First Sunday after Trinity, June 2, in the morning, confirmed 26 in St. Peter's Church, *Albany*.

In the afternoon, confirmed 10 in Trinity Church, West Troy, *Albany county*.

In the evening, confirmed 21 in Christ Church, Troy. In which church I also officiated on the two following days, viz.

Monday 3, instituted the Rev. William F. Walker, into the rectorship of the parish.

Tuesday, 4, admitted to the priesthood, the Rev. Isaac Swart, deacon, who, having ceased to be the assistant-minister of Christ Church, Cooperstown, Otsego county, where the recovery of the rector has happily superseded the necessity for his having an assistant, had become attached, as superintendent, to the Episcopal Institute, Troy; and is now officiating in a new congregation in Albany.

Thursday, 6, consecrated the chapel of the Church of the Nativity, New-York, rebuilt after destruction by fire. This is designed to be used as the parish church, until the expected erection, at a future day, of that larger edifice; when the chapel will be appropriated to week day services, and those connected with catechetical instruction.

Second Sunday after Trinity, June 9, confirmed 3 in St. James' Church.

The Festival of St. Barnabas the Apostle, Thursday, June 11, and the following day, were spent by me in a visitation of St. Paul's College, College Point, *Queen's county*.

This seminary, it is well known, had its origin, many years since, in the individual enterprise of its Principal, the Rev. Dr. William A. Muhlenberg. Under the original appellation of the Flushing Institute, it justly commended itself to the respect, confidence, and affection, of the Church, for the efficiency with which it prosecuted, in the union in which God has joined them, the moral and spiritual, together with the intellectual, improvement of its pupils. By His blessing, it has been the means of training for usefulness in life, and happiness through eternity, ripe scholars, virtuous citizens, and devout members, and pious, talented, and useful ministers of the Church.

The Reverend Principal, who is still the sole proprietor of the College grounds and buildings—a state of things in regard to which I would most earnestly ask the Church whether it ought to be permitted much longer to continue—having frequently expressed a strong desire that I would consent to become, in my diocesan capacity, *Visitor* of the College, I deemed it not only right, but a duty, to contribute, by accepting the honor and assuming the responsibility, of that station, to the effecting of that union of the College with the Church, as its handmaid in promoting the great objects for which

it was divinely established, which I know has ever been near his heart.

The first action under this my new connection with St. Paul's College, was the visitation now noticed. The Principal having, in accordance with my wishes that I should be thus accompanied on my visitations, invited a number of the clergy of the vicinity, we met there on the above-mentioned Festival of St. Barnabas. The visitation was opened by the service of the day—the Morning Prayer being read by two reverend instructors in the College, and the ante-communion service, together with a sermon, by myself. These exercises were performed in the chapel, a very neat and commodious apartment, arranged on the principle above noticed by me, for the proper performance of the respective services of the altar, desk, and pulpit, and furnished with an excellent organ. And I should do injustice to my feelings, were I not to observe farther, that the very reverent, devout, and appropriate manner in which the chapel exercises are performed, is a most pleasing manifestation of the holy spiritual influences which appear so happily to pervade this excellent institution. The remainder of the day was principally spent in witnessing an examination of the students by their instructors, and was closed in the chapel by devotions conducted by the Principal, consisting of the Evening Family Prayer in the Prayer Book, with the addition of a chant and hymn from the Liturgy, and the reading of the second Evening Lesson for the day. The exercises of the second day were commenced with the order for Daily Morning Prayer, conducted by the Principal. After which the examinations were continued through the whole of the forenoon, and a part of the afternoon.

I have entered so much in detail respecting the religious services connected with the visitation, because I think them gratifying evidence of the truly Christian and church-like character of the establishment. Its religious peculiarities, however, by no means interfere with a strict and thorough course of study. This was evident from the examinations, which afforded to my Rev. brethren present, and myself, the highest satisfaction. I believe there was no difference of opinion among us, that, taken altogether, it was one of the most creditable exhibitions of the kind—creditable to both teachers and pupils—which we had ever witnessed. The course of study is evidently thorough—a circumstance the more gratifying from the fact that the greater number of the teachers have themselves been there taught. In short, this my first official visitation of St. Paul's College, greatly strengthened the conviction, long entertained by me,

that it ought to be extensively patronized, and liberally sustained, by the Church.

Third Sunday after Trinity, June 16, in St. Paul's Church, Tompkinsville, *Richmond county*, admitted to Priest's Orders the minister of the parish, the Rev. Amos D. McCoy, deacon.

In the afternoon, preached in Trinity Chapel, Factoryville.

Tuesday, 18th, laid the corner stone of St. Thomas' Church, Ravenswood, *Queens county*; on which occasion, I had the pleasure of the company of my Right Reverend Brother, the Bishop of New Jersey.

Wednesday and Thursday, 19th and 20th, attended the annual meeting of the Board of Missions at New Haven. Nothing of peculiar interest transpired. The business was conducted with great good feeling, and the manifestations of a sincere interest in the great object for which the Board is appointed by the Church. The financial reports gave evidence of an encouraging liberality in the support of missions. There was also, however, rendered apparent a great deficiency in the needed ministerial aid,—connected with a correspondent deficiency, and even falling off, in the number of candidates for holy orders. This, brethren, ought to create the serious concern of all good members of the Church.

Fourth Sunday after Trinity, June 23, in the chapel of the Church of the Nativity, *New-York*, admitted the minister of the parish, the Rev. Solon W. Manney, deacon, to Priest's Orders.

In the afternoon, confirmed one in St. John's Church, Fort Hamilton, *Kings county*.

Every succeeding day in that week, except Saturday, was occupied in the business of our Sunday School Union, and General Theological Seminary.

The Board of Managers of the former, held and completed its annual session on Monday morning. Nothing very special was done. A happy state of harmony and prosperity was evidently apparent. The appointment of the Editor, noticed in my last address, and the enlargement, both in size and design, of the periodical now termed the Journal of Religious Education, and Family and Sunday School Visiter, were found to have operated greatly in favor of the Institution. That periodical and its invaluable little companion, the Children's Magazine, I again most earnestly and affectionately recommend to the patronage and encouragement of the diocese. No family should be without them.

The affairs of the Institution are managed with great prudence and

propriety, and its monthly journal contains a full development, and perpetual illustration, of the principles on which it is conducted. These are of the soundest description. It is, in the most genuine sense, a Church Institution, designed, and most happily carrying out the design, to aid the Church in the religious instruction of the young. The pastor, the sponsor, the parent, the teacher, it regards as the Church's agents, in training her sons and daughters for glory; and explains, and urges, and would facilitate, their duties in this most important and responsible capacity. I commend the Union—its principles and its acts—to the serious consideration, and the liberal aid and encouragement, of the good people of this diocese.

The Board of Trustees of the Seminary met daily from Monday to Friday, both inclusive. Its proceedings have been published, and therefore need not be here detailed. It was most encouraging to find that the pecuniary contributions of the past year were more than sufficient to prevent encroachments on the capital—an evil to which, for a long time, we have had annually to submit. The examination and commencement exercises gave great satisfaction; and it is very apparent that the general state of the Seminary was never more encouraging, and its claims on the Church never stronger, than now. The Trustees, co-operating with the Associate Alumni, a corps of good and true sons of the Church, adopted measures for the speedy endowment of the vacant professorship of Pastoral Theology and Pulpit Eloquence. And what, brethren, to those who possess so much of the wealth and influence of the American public as do the members of our Church, is the raising, for so invaluable a purpose, of twenty-five thousand dollars? An individual—ever may the act be held in grateful remembrance by the Church—has given the same endowment of another professorship. God has given to many others who bear our name ability to do likewise; and has laid upon us all, by His Holy Spirit, the solemn obligation to do for Him as He has prospered us. The obligation involves an awful responsibility, which, overlooked, or lightly esteemed, as it may now be, will come with full force to the awakened conscience, when *the great account of stewardship* is required.

The examination of each day was opened with the appointed Morning Service of the Church; which, together with the Evening Service, is, I am happy to say, celebrated in the seminary chapel daily during each term. This is a most happy circumstance. The more the spirit of the Liturgy is diffused among our young men preparing for holy orders, the better may their preparation be expected

to be. Thus also are shut out all plausible pretexts for the introduction of social religious exercises which must inevitably—as they are uniformly found to do—lessen that reverent estimation of the Liturgy, and interfere with that true spiritual view of it, which are so intimately connected with the growth in the Church of sound evangelical piety. This daily drawing from the Liturgy of its Christian guidance and instruction, and this daily approach, in its holy services, to the only fountain of all spiritual good, is certainly one of the best preparations of our candidates, for an able Gospel ministry, as it would be, if there were in our clergy and people, piety enough for its maintenance, of the members of the Church generally, for the holiness and virtue of the Gospel here, and their blessed reward hereafter.

At the Commencement of the Seminary, seventeen young gentlemen, being the Senior Class, received the Testimonial awarded by the Statutes to those who have acceptably prosecuted the whole course of study. They thus became Alumni, an honor conferred on none but those *who continue unto the end*; and having thus done all that the Church provides for her candidates, purchase to themselves a *degree* certainly possessing—because conferred by the Church, through her duly constituted agent—a claim to recognition and respect by her members.

Fifth Sunday after Trinity, June 30, in this Church of the Annunciation, *New-York*, admitted to the Order of Deacons the following young gentlemen, who, at the Commencement above noticed, had become Alumni of the General Seminary of our Church:—William S. Bartlet, Caleb Clapp, George S. Gordon, Samuel M. Haskins, Andrew Hull, Joseph Hunter, Frederick W. J. Pollard, and Alfred Stubbs.

It gave me much pleasure to have on the occasion the company of my Right Reverend Brother the Bishop of Michigan, who did me the favor of preaching, and taking part in the ordination services.

Mr. Clapp is engaged as an assistant to the rector of St. Michael's, St. James' and St. Mary's Churches, in this city, and in the business of teaching at Astoria, *Queen's county*.

Mr. Haskins assists the rector of St. George's Church, Astoria, both in his parish, and in his Female Institute.

Mr. Hull is the missionary at Oneonta and Otego, Otsego county.

Mr. Hunter is the minister of St. Mary's Church, Brooklyn.

Saturday, July 6, confirmed 7 in the Chapel of St. Paul's College, College Point, *Queen's county*.

Sixth Sunday after Trinity, July 7, in Grace Church, Jamaica, ad-

mitted George Sayres, an alumnus of the General Theological Seminary, to Deacon's Orders.

In the afternoon, confirmed 8.

In the evening, confirmed 12, in a chapel occupied by a colored congregation.

Tuesday, 9, consecrated St. John's Church, Huntington, *Suffolk county*. This is one of the few remaining churches erected before the revolution. There is some uncertainty as to its age. It is, however, probably, not less than a hundred years. It, of course, was built long before we had bishops, and therefore not consecrated at its completion. It was used for worship, after the revolution, only at intervals, short and far between—the parish having become almost extinct, and the building suffered to go rapidly to decay. A few zealous and liberal individuals, however, having recently removed into the neighborhood, the parish was re-organized, and the church thoroughly repaired—their liberal designs and efforts having been greatly encouraged and strengthened by the faithful labors of the excellent missionary at the station. In this its renewed state—but preserving nevertheless its ancient peculiarity and solemnity of internal arrangement—its consecration was asked, and cheerfully effected, as a dictate of propriety, and a duty of religion.

Seventh Sunday after Trinity, July 14, preached in the Chapel of the U. S. Military Academy, *West Point*. This service was rendered at the request of the Rev. Jasper Adams, D. D., the chaplain of the Academy. I am happy to say that his services, in this beautiful and commodious chapel, are rendered in entire accordance with the rubrics of our liturgy—a circumstance sanctioned and approved by the respected and estimable superintendent of the academy, in just consideration of Dr. Adams' ecclesiastical obligations. I was much gratified with the obvious enlightened interest in the services taken by the officers of the establishment, and by its interesting corps of cadets.

In the afternoon, preached in the Presbyterian Church, Cold Spring, *Putnam county*, for a portion of the parish of St. Philip's Church, *Phillipstown*—Divine service being usually held there, in the afternoon, for the benefit of those parishioners who reside at Cold Spring.

Friday, 19, confirmed 21 in St. Peter's Church, *Westchester, Westchester county*.

Saturday, 20, preached in St. Paul's Church, *Eastchester*.

Eighth Sunday after Trinity, July 21, confirmed 1 in Trinity Church, *New Rochelle*, in the morning.

In the afternoon, confirmed 9 in St. Thomas' Church, Mamaroneck.

Monday, 22, confirmed 20 in Christ Church, Rye.

Tuesday, 23, in Grace Church, Whiteplains, preached, and administered the communion, and in the afternoon confirmed 6.

Festival of St. James the Apostle, Thursday, July 25, in St. Matthew's Church, Bedford, admitted to the Priesthood the Rev. Alfred H. Partridge, deacon, the assistant minister of the parish; preached there again in the afternoon; and in the evening preached again for the same parish in the Methodist Chapel, in a distant and more central part of the village.

Friday, 26, confirmed 1 in St. James' Church, North Salem.

Ninth Sunday after Trinity, July 28, preached and administered the communion in Christ Church, Patterson, *Putnam county*; and preached there again in the afternoon.

Tuesday, 30, in St. Peter's Church, Lithgow, *Dutchess county*, in the morning baptized an adult, and confirmed 4; and preached again in the afternoon.

Wednesday, 31, for the parish of St. Paul's Church, Pleasant Valley, preached, morning and afternoon, in the Presbyterian Church.

Thursday, August 1, confirmed 28 in Christ Church, Poughkeepsie.

Friday, 2, baptized an infant, and preached, in St. Paul's Church, Troy.

Tenth Sunday after Trinity, August 4, in the morning, confirmed 17 in Christ Church, Ballston Spa, *Saratoga county*.

In the afternoon, confirmed 5 in the temporary chapel of Bethesda Church, Saratoga Springs.

Measures were here in process, with, I am happy to say, fair prospects of success, for the erection of a suitable parish church. The due establishment and support of the services, ordinances, and instructions of the Church in such places of extensive resort from all parts of the country, and which are therefore centres of proportioned influence, should be an object dear to every friend of the wholesome operation on the good order and welfare of the commonwealth, of the principles and precepts of the Gospel.

Monday, 5, laid the corner stone of Christ Church, Herkimer, *Herkimer county*, having previously preached on the occasion at the court-house.

I then proceeded to Geneva, Ontario county, for the purpose of at-

tending in my place as a Trustee of Geneva College, a meeting of the Trustees, and the Commencement, of that institution. I was happy in perceiving the most satisfactory evidence of the growing prosperity, respectability, and usefulness, of the college, and the fair prospect of its amply repaying the efforts which the Church in this diocese has put forth in its behalf.

Having made arrangements for returning to this diocese, in which my next appointment was in St. Lawrence county, by way of Lake Ontario, I repaired to Oswego for that purpose. A violent wind on the lake, however, added to other circumstances entirely beyond my control, compelled me to remain in that village over the following Sunday, the eleventh after Trinity, August 11; in the afternoon and evening of which day I officiated in Christ Church, the services of the morning having been performed by a brother clergyman from this city. The six days thus spent by me in the Diocese of Western New-York, afforded opportunity for a very delightful renewal of intercourse with brethren and friends once a beloved portion of my own pastoral charge, and for obtaining the most gratifying evidence of the happy results of the change of diocesan relations which has there taken place.

Although the delay to which I referred caused a disappointment to one of the parishes of this diocese on the Sunday last mentioned, yet by a change in my routine, involving a slight addition of time and travel, I was enabled to substitute another day, and thus accomplish all which I had originally designed.

Having returned to this diocese, I continued the visitation as follows :—

Tuesday, August 13, in the morning, confirmed 19 in St. John's Church, Ogdensburgh, *St. Lawrence county*; and preached there again in the afternoon.

Wednesday, 14, for the parish of St. Luke's Church, Lisbon, confirmed 7 in a church belonging to no particular denomination, and administered the communion.

Thursday, 15, preached morning and afternoon in St. Paul's Church, Waddington.

Friday, 16, confirmed 6 in the Methodist Church, Norfolk.

Saturday, 17, in Trinity Church, Potsdam, preached and administered the communion, and in the afternoon confirmed 15.

Twelfth Sunday after Trinity, August 18, for the parish of Grace Church, Canton, preached and administered the communion in a

church belonging to different denominations, and in the afternoon, baptized therein 2 infants, and confirmed 4 persons.

This parish has for some time been sustained, through circumstances of peculiar trial and discouragement, by the divine blessing on the services of a lay reader, and the occasional visits of neighboring clergymen. I was happy to find a very neat church in the process of erection.

Tuesday, 20, preached in Christ Church, Morristown.

Friday, 23, in the Presbyterian Church, Malone, *Franklin county*, for the parish of St. Mark's Church, preached and administered the communion, and in the afternoon confirmed 3.

Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity, August 25, in Trinity Church, Plattsburgh, *Clinton county*, confirmed 12, and administered the communion, and preached again in the afternoon.

Wednesday, 28, in the morning preached in the district school-house, Port Henry, town of Moriah, *Essex county*.

In the afternoon preached in the Baptist Church, Moriah village.

In the evening, preached again at Port Henry.

Thursday, 29, for the parish of the newly organized Church of the Cross, Ticonderoga, confirmed 15, and administered the communion, in the Presbyterian Church.

For the very encouraging prospects which I found here and in Moriah, we are much indebted, under God, to our zealous and indefatigable missionary at Whitehall. All our missionaries should consider themselves bound, in that capacity, to extend their ministerial labors through the surrounding country, as need may require, and opportunity be given, and parishes whose ministers receive the missionary stipend should understand that a portion of their time ought thus to be abstracted from their immediate parochial labors.

Friday, 30, in St. Paul's Church, Whitehall, *Washington county*, confirmed 2. A third was to have been here confirmed; but it pleased Almighty God, in his wise providence, to arrest his purpose by bringing a rapid disorder to a fatal termination on the day previous to my arrival. Towards him, therefore, my ministration was changed to attendance and preaching at his funeral, on the afternoon of the day on which he was to have renewed his baptismal obligations.

Saturday, 31, in Christ Church, Hampton, preached in the morning, and in the afternoon baptized two adults, and confirmed 6.

Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity, September 1, in Trinity Church, Granville, preached and administered the communion, and in the afternoon confirmed 4.

Tuesday, 3, preached in the Methodist chapel, Fort Edward.

Wednesday, 4, for the parish of Zion Church, Sandy Hill, confirmed 2 in the Presbyterian Church.

Thursday, 5, preached afternoon and evening in the Presbyterian Church, Glen's Falls, *Warren county*; and baptized a child in the same village.

Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity, September 8, instituted the Rev. William H. Walter into the rectorship of St. George's Church, *Schenectady*.

In the afternoon, baptized a child, and confirmed 19 persons, in that church; and in the evening preached again.

Tuesday, 10, consecrated Christ Church, Marlborough, *Ulster county*; and in the afternoon confirmed 9 therein. The union, in this Church, of economy with great neatness, convenience, and fitness for its holy purposes, I would commend to the imitation of all parishes who would pursue the honest and Christian course of building in strict conformity with their means.

Wednesday, 11, in St. Andrew's Church, Walden, *Orange county*, preached and administered the communion; and in the afternoon confirmed 3.

Friday, 13, in St. Philip's Church, Phillipstown, *Putnam county*, admitted to Priest's Orders the Rev. Ebenezer Williams, deacon, its minister; and in the afternoon, confirmed 4.

Mr. Williams having resigned the missionary station at Hoosick Falls, *Rensselaer county*, succeeds, in the charge of St. Philip's, the Rev. Edward C. Bull, who has resigned the rectorship.

On my return home on the following day, it gave me great pain to receive communications from two of my brother bishops announcing the exercise of discipline on no less than four clergymen of the Church. Three of them were by the Bishop of Ohio, viz., Burton H. Hickox, indefinitely suspended, and John Williamson and Albert Bledsoe, displaced from the ministry—the last two under the 38th canon of the General Convention of 1832, and with the statement, required by said canon, where the facts justify it, "for causes not affecting their moral character."

The other case was the displacement from the ministry, by the Bishop of Kentucky, under the same canon, of the Rev. A. A. Willis.

Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity, September 22, in St. George's Church, Astoria, *Queen's county*, instituted the Rev. John W. Brown into the rectorship of the parish.

In the afternoon, baptized an adult and 4 children, and confirmed 8 persons.

In the evening, confirmed one in St. Mary's Church, *New-York*.

At Astoria, I found that the laborious and indefatigable rector, who is also rector of the Astoria Female Institute—a truly Church society connected with the parish, and with the vestry thereof as its trustees—had contemplated opening his church daily for Morning Prayer, with an especial view to the teachers and pupils of the Institute. He requested me, if the plan met my approbation, to announce it publicly to the congregation. In accordance with my well-known principles and wishes on the subject of public worship, I did so with very great pleasure, and invited the co-operation in this good work of the members generally of the parish. Justice is certainly not done to the Church, when, as now, there is so little knowledge, or just appreciation, of her pious maternal care, as to give plausibility to the impression that the love of social worship, and the desire for enjoying its comforts and spiritual benefits, more frequently than on but one day in the week, can be gratified only by the modern substitution of arbitrarily selected periods of temporary excitement for the ancient catholic honoring of God by providing for daily retirement from the world for communing with Him in the solemn services of His sanctuary. There is in the religious character of the present day a most unhappy infusion of the pelagian error which looks for spiritual results more to human expedients and plausible enterprises, than to the secret but sure influences of evangelical faith and devotion. More regard is had to the numbers whom curiosity or excitement may draw, than to the promise of the divine blessing on the faith and piety of a praying few. From the sure word of God, we may gather the utmost confidence in His vouchsafing a large increase of spiritual and temporal blessing upon our Church and nation, if, in accordance with the pious provisions of the former, a few good people would, wherever there are parishes, daily call upon God in her holy prayers and praises, and with the frequency to which she specially invites, seek the blessings of His redeeming mercy in the holy communion, which, for that end, he has appointed.

The arrangement above noticed for daily prayers in the church at Astoria, and similar antecedent action by the devoted and indefatigable rector of Christ Church, Troy, are among the pleasing evidences, constantly increasing, of the growth among both clergy and laity of a right feeling on this subject, and one which encourages me to hope that the day is not far distant, when, in this metropolis, which ought, in

all things, to furnish a good example to the churches in our land, our spiritual mother's daily provided morning and evening incense shall be offered unto the name of the Lord of Hosts; and on each return of his own day, and of those which the Church makes holy unto Him, Her children shall compass His altar, there to manifest the required remembrance, and seek in the required way the benefits, of His exceeding great love in the mercies of redemption.

Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity, and festival of St. Michael and All Angels, September 29, in Calvary Church, *New-York*, admitted to Deacons' Orders, William H. A. Bissell, an instructor in the Episcopal Institute, Troy, who had been transferred to this diocese, as a candidate from that of Vermont.

Wednesday, October 2, consecrated the Church of the Annunciation. This building, originally erected by a non-Episcopal congregation, was purchased by a parish which commenced in the movement of a few devoted members of the Church, who invited the Rev. Samuel Seabury, D. D., the talented and excellent editor of the *Churchman*, to serve among them, with the view of forming a new parish in a very populous ward of this city, in which there was not an Episcopal church, the canonical consent of the clergy of the other parishes in the city having been obtained. As might have been expected, the enterprise succeeded. A parish was organized, and the building, having been for some time occupied on a temporary arrangement, was purchased; and now, the parish having attained to great respectability of grade, to a most promising state of spiritual advancement, and to a general position fully encouraging the hope of its ultimately ranking among the most flourishing and influential in the city, the building having been duly altered, repaired, and refitted, was solemnly consecrated to the service of the Divine Head of the Church. It furnishes, I am rejoiced to say, another instance of the progress of correct sentiment and feeling touching the interior arrangement of churches. The altar, desk, and pulpit, are arranged on sound Christian principles. It is a great mistake, and one coupled with serious misapprehension of the Christian system, to represent the pulpit as the chief and most honorable part of a church. The plea for this is rendered plausible by taking the ground of the fundamental importance of the preaching of the Gospel. The ground is right, but the inference from it wrong. It can hardly be true that individual human comments on the Divine Word are the only preaching of the Gospel. When we have, as every legitimate portion of the Catholic Church has ever had, such large public readings of the

word of God, and such holy and edifying liturgical services, embodying the spirit of God's word, and pressing it home to the heart and conscience, and such interesting and affecting ceremonial observances, duly enlisting the best feelings of our nature, and at the same time guiding them in the direction, and subjecting them to the control, of sound Gospel principles, it is in manifest contradiction to both Scripture and reason, to exclude the due observance of *these* from the true preaching of the word. They are a part of that preaching, and a part much more likely to be sound and correct than the individual comments of a preacher. They are a wholesome test, to which those comments may be subjected; and have most happily proved a security against that intrusion in public preaching, of erroneous and strange doctrines, contrary to God's word, which has brought upon religious societies, unblest with them, so much of dissension and every concomitant evil work.

From this principle is fairly to be deduced the impropriety of so constructing our religious edifices as to give the pulpit the great and commanding preference, and to reduce to the position of mere accessories to that the desk of prayer, and God's holy eucharistic table. Very different from this is the truly Christian view of the subject. That regards the altar as the most important place in the church, and the desk and pulpit as subsidiaries to it. The Church of the Annunciation is constructed on this principle. The preaching of the Gospel, whether in the rich matter of the daily morning and evening service, the elevated instruction which the eucharistic solemnities draw from God's word, or the pastor's pulpit exercises, is presented to the people as a whole, only so distinguished in its parts, as of right should be distinguished the provisions made by the Church for the Great Memorial of Christ's atoning death, for the daily morning and evening offering of prayer and hearing of the word, and for the pastor's comments on the inspired text.

I was happy also to see in this church what is so often missing in our temples, a proper permanent font. Few circumstances, perhaps, are more illustrative of the unhappy departure from the reverent estimation in which Christ's sacraments and ordinances were held in days of brighter and more substantial piety, than now prevails, than the substitution for a proper font for baptism, a fixture of God's holy temple, of an ordinary vessel, introduced only as occasion may require.

And while on this subject, I am reminded of a peculiarity in the venerable and majestic temple in which we are now assembled, of

very improperly rare occurrence. I mean, the providing of the chancel with a side-table, on which the elements for the eucharist are placed, before their removal, by the priest, to the Lord's table. There is a part of the communion service in which it is ordered that "*the priest shall then place upon the table so much bread and wine as he shall think sufficient.*"* How wide a departure from this positive order of the Church is prevalent among us, I need not say. Nor need I say in what ignorance of what is right and proper is founded objection to an arrangement so clearly ordered by the Church.

To make this annual record complete, it must include the ordination held yesterday in your presence, when the Rev. Horatio Southgate, deacon, a missionary in the employ of the Foreign Committee of the Board of Missions, recently transferred to this diocese from that of Massachusetts, was admitted to the Priesthood. The presence and assistance, on that occasion, of my Right Reverend brother the Bishop of North Carolina, was a favor and a pleasure which I am also very happy to record; and I trust, beloved brethren, that you sympathized with me in the true delight with which I witnessed the very large numbers of the sons and daughters of Zion who pressed to enjoy the privilege of our solemn annual diocesan communion.

From the above details it appears, that during the year, I have assisted at the consecration of one bishop; ordained 12 priests and 13 deacons; instituted 7 rectors; laid the corner-stones of two churches; consecrated 6 churches; and confirmed 945 persons on 71 occasions. I have also preached 213 times, and administered the Lord's Supper 40 times. Of the deacons ordained, 9 are alumni of the General Theological Seminary.

The changes among the clergy, other than those noticed above, have been as follows:—

The Rev. Hiram Adams has removed from Kingston, Ulster county, and become the rector of Trinity Church, Ulster, in the same county, where he succeeds the Rev. Ravaud Kearny, who confines himself to his other parish of St. Paul's Church, Redhook, Dutchess county.

The Rev. Alva Bennett has become Principal of the Little Falls Private Academy, Little Falls, Herkimer county.

The Rev. Moore Bingham has removed to the Diocese of Vermont, and is succeeded in the missionary station at Hampton, Washington county, by the Rev. Lucius M. Purdy, who has removed from the Diocese of Connecticut.

* Rubric, Communion Service.

The Rev. Richard F. Burnham has resigned the rectorship of Trinity Church, Fishkill, Dutchess county, and removed to the Diocese of Pennsylvania. The charge of that church having devolved on the Rev. Robert Shaw, missionary at Marlborough, Ulster county.

The Rev. Lawson Carter, deprived by feeble health, of power longer to continue his very faithful and useful services as rector of Trinity Church, New Rochelle, Westchester county, has resigned that station, and is succeeded by the Rev. Thomas W. Coit, D. D., who has resigned the rectorship of Trinity Church, Brooklyn, now held by the Rev. Richard C. Shimeall, who had resigned the rectorship of the Church of the Messiah, New-York.

The Rev. Orange Clark, D. D., has removed into this Diocese from that of Western New-York.

It truly grieves me to be obliged to record the death of that faithful man of God, the Rev. Alexander H. Crosby, late rector of St. John's Church, Yonkers, Westchester county. A true pastor of his flock, he guided them well through seasons of peculiar trial, and left, in the prosperous state of his parish, a most creditable monument to both the virtues and the talents with which God had been pleased to endow him. He is succeeded in his parish by the Rev. Smith Pyne, who has removed into this Diocese from that of Connecticut.

The Rev. Alexander H. Cull, deacon, has removed into this Diocese from that of Vermont, and become the missionary at Malone, Franklin county.

The Rev. Samuel C. Davis has resigned the rectorship of St. Mark's Church, Williamsburgh, King's county.

The Rev. Isaiah G. De Grasse, deacon, a colored man, confines himself now principally to a second colored congregation in this city, the colored mission on Long Island, of which he had charge, having, in consequence, been discontinued. He occasionally, however, visits the colored congregation at Jamaica.

The Rev. John Dowdney, jun., has resigned the missionary station at Kingston, Ulster county, and become rector of Trinity Church, Athens, Greene county. He is succeeded, at Kingston, by the Rev. Henry M. Davis, who has been received into this Diocese from that of Rhode Island.

The Rev. Sturges Gilbert, removed into this Diocese from that of Massachusetts, has become rector of St. Peter's Church, Hobart,

Delaware county, where he succeeds the Rev. David Huntington, who removed, by letter of dismission, to the Diocese of Maryland.

The Rev. David Griffith has resigned the missionary station at Morristown, St. Lawrence county.

The Rev. Charles W. Hackley has changed his canonical residence to the Diocese of Mississippi.

The Rev. Nicholas Hoppin has been transferred to the Diocese of Pennsylvania.

The Rev. Charles Jones, having canonically removed into this Diocese, from that of Florida, has become rector of Calvary Church, New-York.

The Rev. Daniel S. Lewis, has been transferred to the Diocese of Mississippi.

The Rev. Charles M'Cabe, whom age and infirmity had long seriously interrupted in the discharge of active ministerial duty, has been taken to his rest, and we may trust, to the reward of humble and faithful Christian piety. The decease, soon after his own, of the excellent woman whom he left in widowhood, and the consequent aggravated bereavement of an interesting orphan family, are painful accompaniments of this providential dispensation.

The Rev. Timothy Minor has resigned the missionary station at Cherry Valley and Westford, Otsego county.

The Rev. William Morris has discontinued his services as assistant minister of St. Michael's and St. James' Churches, New-York.

The Rev. Samuel Nichols has resigned the rectorship of St. Matthew's Church, Bedford, Westchester county, which he had held, with great sincerity of devotion to the interests of his people, for many years.

The Rev. John Noble, deacon, is the missionary at Fonda, Montgomery county.

The Rev. Benjamin O. Peers, the able and excellent editor of our Sunday School Union, has removed into this diocese from that of Kentucky.

The Rev. Albin K. Putnam, deacon, having removed from the diocese of Vermont, is the minister of Trinity Church, Potsdam, St. Lawrence county.

The Rev. Joseph Ransom has resigned the rectorship of St. John's Church, Johnstown, Fulton county.

The Rev. John F. Schroeder, D. D., has resigned his office as assistant minister of Trinity Church, New-York, and become the Principal of a Female Seminary, St. Ann's Hall, at Flushing, Queen's county.

The Rev. William Staunton has become rector of the newly incorporated St. Thomas' Church, Ravenswood, Queen's county.

The Rev. James M. Tappan, a brother who, through a long series of bodily infirmity, most happily illustrated the holy influences of the religion of which he was a minister, God has taken to himself.

The Rev. William Tatham has, by the joint action of the vestry of Grace Church, Canton, and myself as Bishop of the Diocese, been canonically dismissed from the pastoral charge of that parish. He had previously ceased to be the missionary at Canton.

The Rev. Francis T. Todrig has removed to the island of Bermuda, West Indies; and as I have had satisfactory evidence of his having been fully received by the diocesan authority, I consider his canonical connection and responsibility transferred to that section of the Church.

The Rev. Thomas Towell, faithful and devoted, I fear, beyond his strength, has resigned the missionary station at Little Falls, Herkimer county, in the hope of finding a field of labor more favorable to his health, and removed to the Diocese of Western New-York.

The Rev. Alvi T. Twing has relinquished his connection with the Episcopal Institute, Troy, and become the missionary at West Troy, Albany county.

The Rev. Washington Van Zandt, who removed to this diocese from that of Rhode Island, has since removed to the Diocese of Western New-York.

The Rev. William Walton, deacon, has removed to the same diocese.

The Rev. Ezra B Kellogg has been compelled, by ill health in his family, to retire from eminently faithful and useful devotion to the important duties of a city missionary in New-York, and been canonically transferred to the Diocese of Georgia. He is succeeded in the charge of the Mission Church of the Holy Evangelists, by the Rev. Jesse Pound, transferred from the Diocese of Western New-York.

The Rev. Charles V. Kelly has canonically removed to Pennsylvania; the Rev. Henry H. Prout, and the Rev. James Sunderland to North Carolina; and the Rev. Lloyd Windsor to Western New-York.

I have this day, on letter of dismission from the Bishop of Connecticut, received into this diocese, the Rev. Daniel Shepard, deacon, Principal of the Delaware Academy, Delhi, Delaware county.

The present number of clergy in the diocese is 163, being 12

more than at the time of the separation of the Diocese of Western New-York, in November last.

Twelve clergymen have removed from other dioceses into this, and sixteen, exclusive of those who passed, by the division, into the Diocese of Western New-York, from this into others; and three have departed this life.

We have at present 52 candidates for orders, being four more than were reported last year, viz. :

Henry Lawrence, George W. Fash, William H. Hughes, Josiah Perry, D. Hillhouse Buel, Albert D. Traver, Ralph Hoyt, Francis Edwards, John G. Barton, George D. Gillespie, Charles Aldis, Jesse A. Spencer, John W. Clark, Stephen Douglass, Freeman Clarkson, William Mulligan, Benjamin W. Stone, Theodore B. Lyman, Asa Griswold, James N. M'Elligot, William H. Moore, David M'Ilvaine, Fortune C. Brown, Nathaniel W. Starr, Whiting Griswold, Alfred M. Loutrel, Anthony E. Burt, James Millett, William E. Snowden, Maunsel Van Rensselaer, John S. Kidney, Robert Washbon, Charles F. Smith. Philip E. Milledoler, M. D., John H. Hobart, Benjamin S. Huntington, Jacob D. L. M. Moore, Stephen Patterson, Thomas N. De Wolf, William Adams, Russell Trevett, John T. Cushing, Henry M. Beare, William D. Wedgewood, William Hall, jun., Arthur C. Cox, Samuel Sherwell, Arthur Carey, James Witherspoon, Benjamin Akerly, Benjamin Daniels, John C. Smith.

Of these, 21, viz. : Messrs. Fash, Buel, Traver, Gillespie, Aldis, Spencer, Douglass, Clarkson, Mulligan, Stone, Lyman, W. H. Moore, Brown, W. Griswold, Loutrel, Snowden, Van Rensselaer, Kidney, Washbon, J. D. L. M. Moore, and Adams, are students of the General Theological Seminary. Several others are applicants for admission at the opening of the Seminary next week.

Charles Fox has been dismissed, as a candidate, to Connecticut, Henry H. Bates to Massachusetts, John Blake to Maine, and Hobart Williams, Major A. Nickerson, and Charles D. Cooper, to Western New-York, and been severally received in those dioceses.

Martin P. Greene and Alexander Crummel have had their names erased from the list of candidates at their own request.

James M. Fenn has been stricken from the list, and his application for orders rejected, in consequence of great unworthiness of conduct.

The joint anniversaries of last evening presented to our notice the three leading institutions of our diocese—The Education and Missionary Society, The Bible and Common Prayer Book Society, and the Tract Society. They are all most important institutions.

Could my beloved brethren, the clergy and laity of the Diocese, see as extensively as I have seen, the immense good which they are daily doing, the present rate at which they are sustained would be gladly increased many fold. I fear the requisition of the canon touching contributions to the Education and Missionary Society, is hardly borne in mind; for it would pain me to think that its very extensive neglect is wilful. The requisition is, that each branch—education and missionary—should have a *distinct* contribution from each congregation in every year.

In the report of this Society mention is made of a change which is about taking place in the mode of aiding beneficiaries in their education. It is founded upon the principle of doing *effectually* what we do *at all*. We have no longer a stated benefice; but every applicant is to be aided to the extent of his reasonable needs, so that he is to be without excuse for not giving his attention undividedly to study; and is required to enter, with the consent of his diocesan, into an obligation to prosecute the full course of the General Theological Seminary.* I have been so much pleased with the view of

* The following are the rules and regulations, to which reference is here made:—

1. No beneficiary shall be received under 16 years of age, nor until he has been confirmed and become a communicant of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

2. Every applicant must produce a certificate from a Clergyman, stating that he is personally acquainted with said applicant, and believes him to be of established religious and moral character; and has also such confidence in his good dispositions and temper, as to believe him a suitable person to be encouraged for preparation for the holy ministry.

3. Every applicant must produce a certificate from some approved teacher with whom he has studied, stating that his past progress in study has evinced great aptitude for learning, and great industry in application.

4. Every applicant must produce the written consent of his bishop, or if there be no bishop, the ecclesiastical authority of his diocese, to his subscribing a pledge to go through the full course of study in the General Theological Seminary, except he may be excused therefrom by the Education Board; and he shall subscribe such pledge accordingly.

5. Every applicant must lay before the Education Committee a full and satisfactory account of his pecuniary needs and resources, and the said committee shall assign him such an amount of aid, as in their opinion is necessary for his comfortable and proper support during his studies: provided, the said amount shall in no case exceed such sum as may from time to time be fixed by the Education Board as a maximum.

6. No beneficiary of this Society shall be allowed to engage in teaching or other employment which may interfere with his undivided attention to study.

7. No married man shall be aided by this Society.

this point, presented in the report of the Society, that I purpose adding, as fully expressing my own views, that portion of the report as a note to this address.*

8. Every beneficiary shall report himself to the Education Committee, at least once in 6 months, giving a satisfactory account of his conduct and progress in study.

9. Applications for aid must be made to the Education Committee, and the required preliminary documents laid before them, in time to be reported on by them, at a meeting of the Board to be held on the Saturday next preceding the annual meeting of the trustees of the General Theological Seminary; and the Board cannot engage to render assistance during the year commencing October 1st, to any whose cases have not been favorably acted upon at the above-mentioned meeting.

10. Every beneficiary preparing for the Seminary must pursue his studies in some literary institution, or under some instructor, approved of by the Education Committee.

11. No person or body shall have the right of nominating to a benefice, without engaging to furnish at least two thirds of the amount which the Education Committee shall deem proper for the proposed beneficiary.

* Extract from the Eighth Annual Report of the Managers of the Education and Missionary Society of the Diocese of New-York :—

"In reference to the support of beneficiaries, the Board have felt themselves constrained to adopt a new system of regulations, different in some important particulars from the one by which they had hitherto been guided.

"It was found, in many instances, that beneficiaries, from the inadequacy of the stipend which they received, were subjected to very great inconvenience and hardship, or else became very much embarrassed in their pecuniary affairs. Of course, in either case, a great impediment was placed in the way of the comfortable and successful prosecution of their studies. A partial remedy for this evil was found in the occasional benefactions of some of the pious and liberal members of our Church in this city, to the Bishop, and to others, for the relief of necessitous students in Theology. Still the remedy was but partial, and was evidently one that could not be fully and certainly counted upon; and even if it could have been, was yet one which demanded an unnecessary expenditure of time and effort.

"Accordingly the Board determined, that in future, after a full examination into the circumstances of each case, an amount of money should be appropriated to each beneficiary, sufficient, by *strict economy*, to enable him to prosecute his studies without the fear of debt or want; a maximum being fixed which in no case would be exceeded. By this arrangement, the beneficiary will know precisely what he will receive; and that with prudence and care it will be sufficient for his support, and so will be relieved from all anxious care and uncertainty. While the members and friends of the Society, will not be under continual apprehension as to the condition of the students, nor be continually called upon to raise extra sums for their relief.

"The Board are fully aware, that by this arrangement they may not be able to place as many beneficiaries upon their list as in past years,—though they cannot but hope that their course will receive the sanction of the intelligent and reflect-

In connection with this topic, and to encourage as far as I can, the most liberal action in this all-important department of Theological education, it is proper that I state the determination that I have formed, after much serious reflection, not again to receive a candidate without literary qualifications.

The Education Board have adopted ample regulations to secure the aid of the Society from being extended to any but well qualified young men. And now, brethren, the practical questions will be, Shall the Education Board be sustained in its efforts to do what it can to furnish the Church with an able ministry? Shall I, brethren, be sustained in my warm desire to repel no well qualified young man who wishes to devote himself to preparation for holy orders? I will venture to hope that the answer of the Diocese is decidedly affirmative; and to act upon that supposition.

Respecting the Missionary operations of the society, I have reason to believe it to be the predominant opinion in both this diocese and that of Western New-York, that the canon passed at the Special Convention of 1838 cannot be carried into profitable effect; and that the missionary operations of the two dioceses must be separately conducted. I need hardly say, however, that the Western diocese naturally expects and should receive from us, efficient and permanent aid. The difficulty in the way of any present action is, that the Convention of the Western diocese meets simultaneously with our own. There, therefore, cannot be, without long delay in the issue, any interchange of views between that Convention and ours. Would it not be well for this Convention to give the Managers of the Education and Missionary Society full power to act for it in a final adjustment with the Western diocese? I have reason to believe that the Convention of that diocese, now in session, will make arrangements for meeting such action on our part.

In conclusion, brethren, I commend you, in the important duties before you, to the direction of God's most gracious favor, and the furtherance of his continual help.

BENJAMIN T. ONDERDONK.

New-York, October 4, 1839.

ing, and that their increased wants will find an increased liberality. Still they deem it best for the Society, and best for the Church, to have a small number of beneficiaries placed above the fear of embarrassment and discomfort, than to have a large number half sustained, and who hence will be in constant perplexity themselves, and the sources of constant uneasiness to their friends. The Board, however, will cherish the hope, that whatever funds may be needed for this important object will be furnished by the Church; and that they will not be compelled to send any applicant empty away."

Whereupon, on motion of the Rev. Mr. Haight,
Resolved, That so much of the Bishop's address as refers to the General Sunday School Union, in its connexion with the subject of Christian Education, be referred to a select committee of five.

The Chair appointed the following gentlemen on said committee.

Rev. Drs. Anthon and Whittingham, Rev. Mr. Van Kleeck, and Messrs. N. B. Holmes, and John H. Williams.

Resolved, That so much of the Bishop's address as refers to the subject of reprinting the former journals of the Convention of this Diocese, be referred to a special committee of three.

The Chair appointed Rev. Dr. Hawks, Rev. Mr. Haight, and Mr. William H. Harison.

The Convention then, on motion of the Rev. Dr. Milnor, took a recess of ten minutes to prepare their votes for the Standing Committee, and the Delegates to the General Convention.

Upon resuming business the following resolution was moved, and adopted :—

Resolved, That so much of the Bishop's address as refers to the subject of the Missionary operations of the two Dioceses, be referred to a special committee of three.

The Chair appointed Hon. Samuel Jones, Rev. Dr. Taylor, and Mr. Benjamin M. Brown.

The House then proceeded to the election of the Standing Committee, and the delegates to the General Convention.—The following gentlemen were duly elected :—

STANDING COMMITTEE.

Rev. Drs. Berrian, Lyell, M^cVickar, and Taylor of the Clergy, and Messrs. Thomas L. Ogden, Floyd Smith, Murray Hoffman, and Gulian C. Verplanck of the Laity.

DELEGATES TO THE GENERAL CONVENTION.

Rev. Drs. Lyell, Milnor, Anthon, and Hawks of the Clergy, and Messrs. Peter A. Jay, Thomas L. Ogden, Stephen Warren, and James Emmott.

The Chair announced that Peter G. Stuyvesant, Esq., declined a re-appointment as a supplemental delegate to the General Convention. The following gentlemen were then elected :—

SUPPLEMENTAL DELEGATES.

Rev. Drs. Eastburn, M^cVickar, Berrian, and Bayard, of the Clergy, and of the Laity, Messrs. Floyd Smith, Gulian C. Verplanck, and William Johnson.

As to the fourth Lay Supplemental Delegate, the two orders did not agree in the ballot, the Clergy having nominated Mr. W. H. Harison, and the Laity having nominated Hon. Samuel Jones.

Whereupon, on motion of Mr. William H. Harison, the election by ballot was unanimously dispensed with, and on nomination of the same gentleman, the Hon. Samuel Jones was unanimously chosen as Supplemental Delegate.

The following communication from the Secretary of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies in General Convention, was then presented and read:—

New-York, Sept. 24, 1839.

RIGHT REV. AND DEAR SIR,

In obedience to the provisions of the 50th Canon of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, I hereby give notice that the following matters have been submitted by the General Convention of 1838 to the consideration of the Diocesan Conventions, viz. :

1. *Resolved*, That it be made known to the several Diocesan Conventions, that it is proposed to alter, at the next General Convention, the 1st Article of the Constitution of this Church, so that instead of the words, "*At such time in every third year,*" it shall read, "*On the first Wednesday in October in every third year, from the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty-one.*" See Journal of General Convention of 1838, pp. 104, 105.

2. *Resolved*, That it be made known to the several Diocesan Conventions, that it is proposed, at the next General Convention, to consider the following alteration of the Constitution, viz. : Art. 6 to read as follows:—

"The mode of trying Bishops shall be provided by the General Convention. The Court appointed for that purpose shall be composed of Bishops only. In every Diocese, the mode of trying Presbyters and Deacons may be instituted by the Convention of the Diocese. None but a Bishop shall pronounce sentence of admonition, suspension, or degradation from the ministry, on any Clergyman, whether Bishop, Presbyter or Deacon." See Journal of 1838, pp. 116, 121.

Done in General Convention in the city of Philadelphia, September, 1838.

(Attest.)

HENRY ANTHON,

Secretary of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies:

Right Rev. B. T. Onderdonk, D. D.

The Rev. Dr. Wainwright, Chairman of the Committee appointed at the last convention on the support of the Bishop of the Diocese, made the following

REPORT.

The Committee appointed at the last meeting of the Convention, with power to make provision for carrying into effect the pledge of the Convention that the income of the sum of \$90,000, appropriated by the resolutions of this Convention in

1836, to the support of the Bishop of the Diocese shall not be diminished, beg leave to report, that in the discharge of their duty they addressed a letter to the Vestry of Trinity Church to ascertain what that body might feel able and disposed to do in reference to this important subject. To this letter an answer was in due time received. The Committee felt it to be important that the whole diocese should be made acquainted with this communication at the earliest practicable date, in order that the churches might make the collections which were absolutely necessary to enable the diocese to fulfil its solemn pledge. With this view they addressed a circular to every church in the Diocese, a copy of which document, containing the proceedings of the Vestry of Trinity Church being appended to this report, will give full information to the Convention upon the subject now before them. The effect produced by the circular letter will be ascertained by the statement of the treasurer of the Episcopal Fund of the sums received by him on this account from the churches of the Diocese during the past year. By the communication from the corporation of Trinity Church, it will be seen that the formal vote of this Convention is essential to the full ratification of the measure proposed by that body. The Committee therefore recommend to the Convention the adoption of the following resolution :—

Resolved, That this Convention gratefully accepts the aid proffered by the Corporation of Trinity Church, in the city of New-York, to the fund for the support of the Episcopal Fund in this Diocese, upon the condition stated in the resolution of the Vestry of that Corporation; that is to say, "That the collections for the Episcopal Fund shall continue to be made in the several congregations in the Diocese, and bona fide enforced, under the authority of the Convention thereof, for at least the period of thirteen years, and regularly paid over to the Trustees of the said Fund to be by them kept in a course of regular accumulation, and subject to no appropriation of capital or interest by the Convention, until by such accumulation the said Fund shall be raised to at least the sum of \$90,000."

All which is respectfully submitted,

JONA. M. WAINWRIGHT, *Chairman.*

CIRCULAR referred to in the preceding REPORT.

To the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of

Church.

GENTLEMEN,

At the Convention of the Diocese of New-York, held in October last, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That this Convention hereby pledge themselves that the income of the sum of \$90,000, appropriated by the resolutions of this Convention in 1836, to the support of the Bishop of the Diocese, shall not be diminished; and that a Committee be appointed with power to make provision for carrying this pledge into effect.

The subscribers were duly appointed to constitute this Committee.

The necessity for this resolution was produced by a previous one, also passed unanimously, by which the sum of \$35,000 was appropriated to the Diocese of Western New-York, for the support of its Episcopate. This sum, withdrawn from the whole Episcopal Fund belonging to the United Dioceses, would leave a capital, inadequate to the support of the Episcopate of the Diocese of New-York. The Convention, therefore, felt itself under a solemn pledge to secure to the Episcopate an income equal to that which it enjoyed under the resolution of 1836. To accomplish this purpose, the resolution first quoted was passed, and the Committee appointed.

In execution of the trust thus confided to them, the Committee made application to the Vestry of Trinity Church, to ascertain whether that body would give to this Diocese the same aid previously offered to the new Diocese of Western New-York. This offer, together with all the proceedings relating to the question of the Episcopal Fund, will be found upon the Journal of the last Convention, pages 56—63.

To the application of the Committee, the Vestry of Trinity Church, with its

accustomed liberality and care for the interests of the Diocese, made the following reply :

(Copy.)

Vestry Meeting, Nov. 12, 1838.

The Committee to whom was referred the communication of the Rev. Jonathan M. Wainwright, Chairman of a Committee of the Convention of the Diocese of New-York, for carrying into effect the Resolution of the late Annual Convention of this Diocese, relative to the support of the Bishop—

Respectfully report :

That the late Annual Convention of the Diocese, without acting on the resolutions of the 27th September last, by which this Vestry offered, on certain conditions, to assume, during the period of thirteen years, the payment of sixteen hundred dollars, annually, towards the support of the Bishop, to be elected for the New or Western Diocese, resolved to appropriate thirty-five thousand dollars of the Episcopal Fund, to the new Diocese, for the support of its Bishop, when elected; thereby reducing the capital of that fund to about the sum of sixty-seven thousand dollars—the interest or income of which remains to be applied towards the support of the Bishop of the present Diocese of New-York: And the said Convention, at the same time, passed a resolution, pledging themselves that the interest or income of ninety thousand dollars, appropriated by the resolutions of the Convention, in the year 1836, to the support of the Bishop of the Diocese, should not be diminished.

The present application of the Committee of the Convention, is for such aid as will enable that body to redeem the pledge thus given.

The resolutions of the Vestry of the 27th September were passed, with a view to the adjustment of all questions in regard to the apportionment of the Episcopal Fund between the two Dioceses, and to furnish temporary aid for the support of the Episcopate in both, until by stated collections, the fund should be so increased, as to give to the new Diocese a capital of thirty-five thousand dollars. Under the action of the late Convention, those resolutions have become inoperative; but the necessity of further aid, and to the same extent, still exists—the form only being changed. The Committee are of opinion that the principle adopted by the Vestry, in September last, in granting, conditionally, its further aid towards the support of the Episcopate of the new Diocese, ought, under the change of circumstances, produced by the division of the Episcopal Fund between the two Dioceses, to be applied, under similar conditions, towards the same object, in the present Diocese of New-York; and they therefore recommend to the Vestry the adoption of the following resolutions :

1. *Resolved*, That for the period of thirteen years from the first day of November instant, this Corporation will pay the annual sum of sixteen hundred dollars to the Trustees of the Fund for the support of the Episcopate in the Diocese of New-York, as now constituted and organized: *Upon Condition*, nevertheless, that the collections for the Episcopal Fund shall continue to be made in the several congregations in the Diocese, and bona fide enforced, under the authority of the Convention of the Diocese, for at least the period of thirteen years, and regularly paid over to the trustees of the said fund, to be by them kept in a course of regular accumulation, and subject to no appropriation of capital or interest by the Convention, until, by such accumulation, the said fund shall be raised to at least the sum of ninety thousand dollars.

2. *Resolved*, That a copy of the above resolution be delivered to the Chairman of the Committee of the Convention.

[Extract from the minutes.]

T. L. OGDEN, Clerk of the Vestry of T. C.

It will be observed that the formal vote of the next Convention is essential to the full ratification of the above measure, and to securing, for the benefit of the Episcopal Fund, the liberal grant thus conditionally made. But inasmuch as the annuity thus offered is absolutely needed for the support of the Episcopate during the current year, and will, in fact, have been wholly advanced before this commu-

nication reaches you, and inasmuch as should the proposition made by the Vestry of Trinity Church be declined by the Convention, a positive necessity will arise for collections from the Churches of the Diocese, in order to the redemption of the pledge which it has given; the Committee feel that they are acting in the spirit, if not in exact conformity with the letter, of the trust committed to them, by thus laying the subject before the churches in the Diocese, and requesting from them that collections for the Episcopal Fund be commenced at as early a date as practicable.

They do not feel that there is any necessity for enlarging upon the importance of this measure, or for urging an immediate attention to it, on the part of the Diocese at large. The statement now made will be sufficient to explain the whole subject, and they trust that this simple explanation will be effectual in exciting attention to an object so essential to the welfare of the Diocese, as the certain and independent support of the Episcopate.

JON. M. WAINWRIGHT,
HORATIO POTTER,
WM. H. HARRISON,
SAMUEL JONES,
STEPHEN WARREN.

The Report was accepted, and the resolution adopted.

The hour of adjournment having arrived, the Convention adjourned until 6 o'clock this evening.

FRIDAY EVENING, 6 O'CLOCK.

Convention met pursuant to adjournment.

The minutes of the Morning Session were read and approved.

The Standing Committee on the Treasurer's Report presented the same audited as follows:—

REPORT.

*The Convention of the Diocese of New-York, in account current with
C. N. S. Rowland, Treasurer.*

October 3, 1838.		DR.	
To Balance due to the Treasurer,	- - -	\$	8 85
To Cash paid to the Rev. Clergy, for mileage,	- - -		248 95
“ Rev. Lucius Smith, for expenses in trial of	- - -		
“ Rev. B. Northrop at Lockport,	- - -		20 00
“ Rev. Orange Clark, D. D., do do	- - -		22 50
“ Rev. James A. Bolles, do do	- - -		10 00
“ Protestant Episcopal Press, on account of	- - -		
“ printing,	- - -		436 63
“ P. G. Stuyvesant, Esq., Treasurer of Gen-	- - -		
“ eral Convention,	- - -		123 00
“ Advertising bill, N. Y. American,	- - -		1 13
“ George Hogg, bill, folding Journal Special	- - -		
“ Convention,	- - -		5 00
“ James Van Norden, bills, printing for Spe-	- - -		
“ cial and General Convention,	- - -		9 56
		Carried forward,	\$885 56

		Brought forward, \$885 56	
To cash paid Rev. B. I. Haight, Acting Secretary, order in favor of D. Felt & Co., on account of printing Journal, - - -	150 00	1,035 56	
“ William H. Harison, Esq., Treasurer of Episcopal Fund, - - -		76 67	
“ Benjamin M. Brown, Esq., Treasurer of Missionary Fund, - - -		447 86	
“ Benjamin M. Brown, Esq., Treasurer of Education Fund, - - -	193 50		
“ C. N. S. Rowland, do do	4 00	197 50	
			\$1,757 59

Oct. 1838.

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By Cash received from 86 parishes for Diocesan Fund,	\$1,035 56
“ “ 16 parishes for Episcopal Fund,	76 67
“ “ 39 parishes for Missionary Fund,	447 86
“ “ 21 parishes for Education Fund,	197 50
	<hr/> \$1,757 59

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C. N. S. ROWLAND, *Treasurer.**New-York, Sept. 27th, 1839.*

The Standing Committee to whom was referred the Treasurer's accounts, respectfully report, that they have examined the same, and carefully compared them with the vouchers, and found them correct—the whole amount of receipts having been paid out by the Treasurer.

CLEMENT C. MOORE,
ISAAC CAROW.

New-York, Oct. 4, 1839.

The Report was accepted.

The Report of the Standing Committee on the Theological Seminary was presented and read as follows :—

REPORT.

The Committee on the Theological Seminary, report that the Diocese of New-York is entitled to 41 Trustees, as follows :—

The Diocese, as such, - - - - -	1 Trustee.
183 Clergymen, 1 Trustee for every 8 Clergymen, - - -	23 “
147,000 dollars contributed to the funds,—being, for the first 10,000 dollars, 5 ; and 1 for every 10,000 dollars after, - - -	18 “
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Total, 41	

W. CREIGHTON, *Chairman.*

The Report was accepted.

The Report of the Trustees of the Fund for the support of the Episcopate was then read as follows :—

The Trustees of the Fund for the support of the Episcopate in the Diocese of New-York, respectfully

REPORT :

That agreeably to their Report of 3d October, 1838, the fund amount-
ed to the sum of \$103,648 82, on the first of October previous,
viz., invested and at interest, \$100,226 53
And interest accrued thereon to that date, - - \$2,422 29

The following sums have been since paid, viz.

To the Bishop, one year's salary,	- - -	6,300 00	
One year's insurance of Episcopal residence,	- - -	32 00	
Invested upon bonds and mortgages,	- - -	11,500 00	11,500 00

To the trustees of the fund for the sup- port of the Episcopate in the Diocese of Western New-York, principal, -	\$35,000 00		
And the interest actually made and re- ceived thereon after the 1st November, 1838, - - - - -	166 21	35,166 21	\$111,726 53

Total payments,	52,998 21
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And the following sums have been receiv-
ed, viz , for interest, - - - 5,864 12

From the Treasurer of the Convention,
and others for the Episcopal collections
for the year 1837-8, in eighteen church-
es, viz.

Grace Church,	Canton,	\$3 00	
St. Andrew's "	Staten Island,	8 59	
St. Peter's, "	Bainbridge,	2 00	
Trinity, "	Windham,	1 00	
Christ, "	Gilbertsville,	3 00	
Grace, "	Whiteplains,	4 56	
St. Peter's, "	New-York,	18 61	
St. James', "	Hyde Park,	5 00	
Zion, "	Pierpont Manor,	1 00	
Christ, "	Rye,	3 50	
Christ, "	N. Hempstead,	7 41	
Christ, "	Paterson,	1 00	
St. James', "	N. Salem,	2 00	
St. Peter's, "	Albany,	10 00	
St. Thomas', "	Mamaroneck,	2 00	
Trinity, "	Fairfield,	1 00	
St. John's, "	Mount Morris,	4 00	
Zion, "	Greene,	1 00	

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From the following churches, contribu-
tions to the fund for the year 1838-9,
viz.

Christ Church,	Hampton,	2 00
St. Georges, "	Flushing,	13 00
St. Paul's, "	Whitehall,	2 00
All Saints, "	New-York,	30 00
St. John's chapel, "	"	73 08
St. Paul's, "	"	70 96

191 04

From Trinity Church, New-York, debt
paid off, - - - - -

42,250 00

42,250 00

69,476 53

	Brought forward, \$48,383 83	69,476 53
From Trinity Church, New-York, the amount voted in aid of the income of the fund paid for the year 1838-9, in anticipation of the acceptance of the Convention of the arrangement proposed by that Corporation,	1,600 00	
Borrowed from the treasurer of the Theological Seminary to be repaid out of the interest receivable on 1st November next,	1,150 00	
Total receipts,	51,133 88	
Excess of payments above receipts,		1,964 38
		67,612 15
Interest on \$67,500 invested and at interest computed to the 1st inst. and unpaid,	1,653 75	
Less amount borrowed in anticipation thereof with interest due 1st inst.	1,155 81	
		497 94
Total amount of the fund on 1st October, 1839,		\$68,110 09
Viz. Bonds and mortgages of real estate in the city of New-York, bearing 7 per ct. interest,	67,500 00	
Above surplus of interest thereof unpaid over sum borrowed in anticipation,	497 94	
Cash in the hands of the treasurer,	112 15	
	Total, \$68,110 09	
New-York, 2d October, 1839,	WM. H. HARRISON, <i>Treas.</i> , WILLIAM JOHNSON, THOMAS SWORDS,	} Trustees;

The Report was accepted.

The Report of the Committee on the Constitution and Canons which had been printed and circulated among the members, was then taken up.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE CONSTITUTION AND CANONS.

THE Committee appointed under the following resolution of the last Convention, viz :

"Resolved, That a special Committee be appointed, to whom it shall be referred to inquire what changes, if any, are made necessary in the Constitution and Canons by the division of the Diocese, or from any other cause ; and if any such changes are necessary, in their opinion, to report the same to the next Convention," beg leave respectfully to report the following resolutions :

Resolved, That the proposed alterations in the Constitution, considered and approved of, in the last Convention, and recorded in the journal of its proceedings (p. 66) in the following words, to wit :

"That the Constitution of this Diocese be altered, by striking out the word 'State' in the first and third Articles, and inserting the word 'Diocese' ; also, that the word 'State' be stricken out of the title, and the word 'Diocese' inserted ; and, also, that instead of the words in article one, 'First Thursday in October,' be inserted 'last Wednesday in September.'"

"Article eight, instead of 'the next ensuing,' insert, 'such next,' be, and the same hereby are enacted.

Resolved, That the following alterations in the Constitution are approved of, and ordered to lie over to the next Convention, viz. :

The title to be, *The Constitution of the Diocese of New-York*.

Article first to be so altered, in the first sentence, as to read, *there shall be a Convention of this Diocese, &c.*

The same article to be so altered as to insert after the words, "for the time being," the following words : *or in case of his inability to act, or of a vacancy in the episcopate, by the Standing Committee.*

Article second to be altered by reading, instead of "or when applied to for that purpose," the words, *and shall do so when applied to for that purpose.*

The same article to be altered by substituting the word *episcopate*, for the words "Episcopal Chair."

Article third to be so altered as to read as follows :

The Convention shall be composed of the Bishop of the Diocese, and the Assistant Bishop of the same, when there is one ; all clergymen canonically connected with this Diocese, who are Rectors or Assistant Ministers of parishes in union with the Convention of this Diocese, and have been instituted into their respective offices according to the "Office of Institution of Ministers," set forth by the General Convention ; all clergymen canonically connected with this Diocese and employed therein, and under its authority, as missionaries ; all other clergymen who shall have been canonically connected with it as Presbyters or Deacons, for at least one year next preceding any meeting of the Convention ; and of Lay Members consisting of one or more delegates from each church, to be chosen by the vestry or congregation thereof.

Article fourth to have added to it, at its close, the following words : *or in case of his inability to act, or a vacancy in the episcopate, by the Standing Committee.*

Resolved, That the following alterations be made in the Canons :

CANON I.

SECT. I.

For "General Seminaries of Learning, duly incorporated," read *other Seminaries of Learning*.

CANON II.

SECT. I.

For the clause, commencing with the words "the church," and ending with the words "this Convention," read the words, *this Diocese, clergymen canonically connected with the same.*

For the phrases "regular admission and settlement," and "regular admission," substitute in each case, the phrase *canonical connexion*.

Omit all that part of the section commencing with the words "and the evidence," and continuing to the close of the section.

In the second section, for the words included within the inverted commas, substitute the words, "*Clergymen canonically connected with the Diocese, and employed therein, and under its authority, as missionaries.*"

Omit section third.

[The above proposed alterations in this canon being connected with proposed alterations of the constitution, the committee are aware cannot now be acted upon. They report them, however, as proper to be entered on the minutes, and laid over for consideration. The following alterations, however, of the same canon, rendered necessary by alterations in the canons of the General Convention, the committee propose for immediate adoption, viz. :]

In Section 1, for "XXXV." read *IV*, and for "1832," read 1835.

CANON IV.

In the title, and in Section 1, omit the words, "the Protestant Episcopal Church in."

CANON V.

SECT. III.

For "LI." read VII.

For "1832," read 1835.

CANON VII.

SECT. II.

For "LI." read VII.

For "1832," read 1835.

CANON VIII.

Omit "Sect. I."

For "LI." read VII.

For "1832," read 1835.

CANON IX.

SECT. I.

After the word "meeting," add the words, *next preceding a stated meeting of the General Convention.*

Add to the section, at its close, the following words: *Which deputies and provisional deputies shall hold their respective stations until successors are appointed; and shall be the deputies or provisional deputies for any General Convention which may be held during their continuance in office.*

Add the following as Sect. 2, altering accordingly the numbering of the following sections:

Sect. 2. Should a vacancy occur, by resignation, removal from the Diocese, death, or otherwise, among the deputies, or provisional deputies, between the stated times of election, the vacancy shall be supplied by any Convention, during or prior to which such vacancy shall occur.

In section 3, (to be altered to section 3,) for the clause commencing with "on some day," and ending with "before such meeting," substitute the words, *at least two days before the meeting of the General Convention.*

In the same section, after the words, "representation of the Diocese," add the words, *And the Bishop shall, in like manner, designate from the same list of provisional deputies, one or more, as the case may be, to supply any deficiency in the representation of this Diocese which may, in any way, occur during a meeting of a General Convention.*

Omit section fourth.

CANON XIV.

SECT. II.

For "LIV." read X.

For "1832," read 1838.

For "Secretary of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies," in both places where the words occur, read *Treasurer of the General Convention.*

For the words "meeting of the General Convention," in both places where they occur, read the words, *meeting of the same.*

CANON XVIII.

After the words, "both orders," add the words, *taken separately.*

The Committee would farther respectfully recommend that (the above, or other alterations seeming good to the Convention, being made) the whole body of Canons of this Diocese, thus altered, be re-enacted, so as to be published as an entire code: and also that a complete Constitution, with the above or other amendments seeming good to the Convention, and otherwise consisting of the present Constitution, be approved of, and lie over to the next Convention, as a newly enacted Constitution of this Diocese.

In behalf of the Committee,

BENJAMIN T. OGDENBURY, Chairman.

On motion, the Report was considered by paragraphs.

The first paragraph was considered, amended, and adopted as follows : a majority of the two orders voting separately, voting in the affirmative.

Resolved, That the proposed alterations in the Constitution, considered and approved of, in the last Convention, and recorded in the journal of its proceedings (p. 66) in the following words, to wit :

“That the Constitution of this Diocese be altered, by striking out the word ‘State’ in the first and third articles, and inserting the word ‘Diocese;’ and also, that instead of the words in article one, ‘First Thursday in October,’ be inserted ‘last Wednesday in September.’”

“Article eight, instead of ‘the next ensuing,’ insert, ‘such next,’” be, and the same hereby are enacted.

The Convention then passed on to consider the various proposed alterations in the Canons, touching the numbering of the Canons of the General Convention.

On motion, the reference to a Committee required by Canon 18 was unanimously dispensed with.

The alterations were then adopted ; two thirds of both orders concurring therein, viz.

CANON II.

In Section 1, for “XXXV.” read *IV.*, and for “1832,” read 1835.

CANON V.

SECT. III.

For “LI.” read *VII.*

For “1832,” read 1835.

CANON VII.

SECT. II.

For “LI.” read *VII.*

For “1832,” read 1835.

CANON VIII.

Omit “Sect. 1.”

For “LI.” read *VII.*

For “1832,” read 1835.

CANON XIV.

SECT. II.

For “LIV.” read *X.*

For “1832,” read 1838.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Anthon,

Resolved, That the residue of the Report of the Special Committee touching changes in the Constitution and Canons of this Diocese, be re-committed to the same Committee for further consideration, and that they report upon the subject to the next Convention, and that the Committee also make arrangements to have their report published and distributed with the existing Constitution and Canons, as soon after the rising of this Convention as may be practicable.

The following communication was then presented and read :

New-York, Oct. 2d, 1839.

To the Rev. Benjamin I. Haight, Secretary of the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of New-York.

REVEREND SIR :

In pursuance of the directions of the Vestry of Trinity Church, in the city of New-York, I now hand you a declaration of the Trusts under which the house and lot purchased by that body for the residence of the Bishop of the Diocese are now held by the individual Trustees selected for the purpose, and to whom as joint tenants the property was conveyed by the former owner under the directions of the Vestry. The declaration of Trust is executed in duplicate, one part to be preserved by the Comptroller of Trinity Church, the other by the Secretary of the Convention.

I am, reverend sir,

Your most obedient serv't,

T. L. OGDEN,

Clerk of the Vestry of Trinity Church.

Whereupon, it was

Resolved, That the above-mentioned communication and the accompanying instrument be referred to a Special Committee, to consider and report what action thereon may be necessary or proper on the part of this Convention.

The Chair appointed Messrs. Peter A. Jay, Samuel Jones, and Floyd Smith, said Committee.

The Special Committee on the subject of the Missionary operations of the two Dioceses, presented the following

REPORT.

The Committee to whom so much of the Bishop's address, as refers to the subject of the missionary operations of the two Dioceses of New-York and Western New-York, was referred, respectfully report,

That they recommend to the Convention to refer the whole subject to a Special Committee, with instructions to confer with the Board of Managers of the Education and Missionary Society, and with such Committee as may be appointed for that purpose by the Convention of the Diocese of Western New-York on the subject of such reference, and with power to such said Committee to act

for this Convention, for and in respect to an adjustment of the whole matter with the Diocese of Western New-York, and to agree to and make a full and final arrangement and settlement of the subject of the Missionary operations of the two Dioceses, and all matters connected therewith, and that they report the arrangement and settlement that may be concluded upon and made in the premises to this Convention at its next meeting.

All which is respectfully submitted,

S. JONES.
B. M. BROWN.
THOS. HOUSE TAYLOR.

The Report was accepted, and the recommendations therein contained adopted.

The following gentlemen were appointed the Committee. Hon. S. Jones, Mr. B. M. Brown, Rev. Dr. Taylor, Rev. Dr. Seabury, and Mr. Wm. H. Harison.

On motion, the Bishop was added to this Committee as Chairman.

The Standing Committee on the Diocesan Fund made the following

REPORT.

The Committee on the proper appropriation of the money received into the Diocesan fund having considered the subject referred to them, respectfully recommend the adoption of the following resolution :—

Resolved, That there be paid to the Clergy entitled to the benefit of the said fund, who reside more than twenty miles from this city, *three* cents per mile for every mile of the distance from their respective parishes, and that the remainder be appropriated to the printing of the journal, the liquidating of the debt of the Convention, and such other purposes as the Convention may direct.

In respect to the other matters which the Committee have been directed to report to the Convention, the following statement is submitted :—

The amount of debt at the opening of the Convention, being incurred for the former diocese, comprising the whole State of New-York, is \$443,55

There was nothing in the Treasurer's hands at that time to meet this debt, the whole of the monies received by him having been expended according to the resolution of the Convention of 1838.

During the present Convention, there has been received by the Treasurer, 669 26

The probable expenses of the present meeting will be,	
Mileage to the Clergy, - - - - -	\$200 00
Printing of the journal, say for 1000 copies, - - -	300 00
One-third of triennial contribution for expenses of the	
General Convention, say - - - - -	50 00
Incidental expenses, - - - - -	25 00
	<hr/> \$575 00

L. P. BAYARD,
O. H. SMITH,
W. H. HARRISON,
C. N. S. ROWLAND.

The Report was accepted, and the Resolution adopted.

On motion,

Resolved, That the expense of printing the Report of the Committee on the Constitution and Canons be paid out of the Diocesan fund.

The Special Committee on the republication of the Journals made the following

REPORT.

The Committee on the republication of the Journals, respectfully report,

That, provided the several parishes of the diocese will subscribe for a sufficient number of copies to defray the expenses of the edition, there will be no difficulty in accomplishing the desired object, as the Chairman of this Committee, who can furnish copies of all the Journals, will put the same to press as soon as a sufficient number of copies is subscribed for (say five or six hundred). If any profit arises from the sale of the residue of the edition, it is proposed to place it at the disposal of the Convention.

The Committee recommend the adoption of the following resolution :—

Resolved, That a subscription paper be prepared by the Secretary for the immediate subscription of such parishes as are here represented, and that the Committee send papers to such parishes as have not delegates present at this Convention, and that as soon as a sufficient number of subscribers is obtained, the Journals be put to press by the Rev. Dr. Hawks.

The Report was accepted, and the Resolution adopted.

On motion of Mr. T. L. Ogden, it was

Resolved, That the Committee on the Communication from the Corporation of Trinity Church, concerning the house for the residence of the Bishop, be instructed to report at the next meeting of this Convention, and that the Treasurer of the Episcopal fund be instructed in the meantime to keep the building insured, and do such other acts on the part of this Convention, as may be required by the terms of the trust under which the property is now held.

Mr. C. N. S. Rowland was re-elected Treasurer of the Convention.

On motion, 1000 copies of the Journal were ordered to be printed under the direction of the Secretary.

The Convention having united in singing the 2d part of the 28th Psalm, and united in prayer with the Bishop, and having received his benediction, adjourned *sine die*.

BENJAMIN T. ONDERDONK, D. D.,

Bishop of the Diocese of New-York, and President of the Convention.

Attest,

BENJAMIN I. HAIGHT, *Secretary.*

APPENDIX.

NO. I.

PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

The following portions of the parochial reports are published by direction of the Bishop :

St. Paul's Church, Albany ; the Rev. WILLIAM I. KIP, Rector.

During the past year, a material change has taken place in the condition of this parish. Owing to the unfavorable situation of the Church in a remote part of the city, and the heavy debt with which it was encumbered, it was thought by the Vestry advisable to sell the building, and remove to a more favorable position. A sale was therefore effected for \$15,500 ; and the property belonging to the Albany Theatre was purchased for about \$15,000. This was a building 63 feet in front, by 115 feet deep, in a very favorable situation in the centre of the city. The sum of \$7,000 was also subscribed by the friends of the Church in aid of the design, and contracts have been formed by which about \$10,000 will be expended in rebuilding it as a Church. It is expected that the new building will be ready for consecration in about a month from this time.

As the former building was given up on the 1st of July last, the vestry of St. Peter's Church passed resolutions, kindly inviting the congregation of St. Paul's to take seats in their church during the four months which were to intervene, before the new edifice was completed. The congregations are, therefore, at present united, the Rectors of the two Churches dividing the services between them.

In the present unsettled state of the parish, it is impossible accurately to give the number of Communicants. It is supposed to be about 100 ; Baptisms, (adult 1, infants 36,) 37 ; Marriages 16 ; Funerals 15.

St. Peter's Church, Albany ; the Rev. HORATIO POTTER, D. D., Rector.

Baptisms (infants 37, adults 2,) 39 ; Marriages 12 ; Deaths 19 ; Sunday School, teachers 15 ; scholars 80 ; Infant school, from 30 to 40 ; Communicants (removed 9, died 3, added 25) about 195.

The canonical collections have been made, amounting, together with other contributions to the general institutions of the Church, to about five hundred dollars.

Contributions for the poor, and other parochial objects, about four hundred dollars.

Trinity Church, Rensselaerville, Albany county ; the Rev. SAMUEL FULLER, Rector.

Baptism, 1 adult ; Marriage 1 ; Communicants (died 4, added 4) 61 ; Sunday school, teachers (male 4, female 4) 8 ; scholars (male 6, female 26,) 32 ; Library, about 100 small volumes.

Contributions :—

Episcopal, - - - - -	\$ 1 00
Missionary, - - - - -	11 10
Education, - - - - -	8 00
Diocesan, - - - - -	4 50
Bible and Prayer-book, - - - - -	3 00
Tract, - - - - -	2 00
Repairs on and about the Church have been at a cost of about - - - - -	300 00
Female Benevolent Society have paid for charitable purposes, - - - - -	7 00

Trinity Church, Plattsburgh, Clinton county; the Rev. JOSEPH H. CORR, Rector.

The state of the parish is more favorable than it has been for some years past. The congregation has increased so much, that the pews in the Church are nearly all taken, and it is anticipated that ere long it will be necessary to enlarge the building. It would be injustice not to state the praiseworthy zeal of the ladies of the parish, who have purchased, within the last two years, a very commodious parsonage, and have more than half paid for it, by the avails of their industry.

At the late visitation of our Diocesan in August, 12 were confirmed. The number of Communicants is 50; Baptism (infants 27, adults 2) 29; Marriages 10; Funerals 5.

Christ Church, Hudson; the Rev. ISAAC PARDEE, Rector.

Communicants (removed 6, died 3, added 8) present number 104; Marriages 9; Baptisms (children) 14; Funerals 16.

Contributions :—

Domestic Board of Missions, - - - - -	\$101 50
Foreign " - - - - -	8 00
Education and Missionary Society, - - - - -	20 00
Diocesan Fund, - - - - -	10 00
Episcopal " - - - - -	5 00

Sunday School, scholars 200; teachers 80.

The same parochial arrangements have been pursued as last year. The condition of the parish continues to be encouraging, and the Sunday School in particular appears to be doing great good.

St. John's Church, Delhi, Delaware county; the Rev. THOMAS S. JUDD, Rector.

Families (added 4) 55; Communicants (added 10, removed 4, deceased 2) 60; Baptisms (adult 1, infants and children 9) 10; Marriages 2; Burials 10; Sunday School, scholars 60; teachers 8.

Contributed,

Domestic Missions, - - - - -	\$21 00
Education and Missionary Society of N. Y. - - - - -	10 00

St. Peter's Church, Hobart, Delaware county; the Rev. STURGES GILBERT, Rector.

Number of families 55; Communicants 60; Baptisms 2; Marriage 1; Funeral 1.

St. Anna's Church, Fishkill Landing, Dutchess county; the Rev. ANTHONY TEN BROECK, Rector.

Baptized (adults 3, children 28,) 31; one private baptism has been certified; Confirmed (6 in St. Anna's Church, 1 in her sick-room, 3 in Christ Church, Marl-

borough Ulster county,) 10; Communicants (added 20, died 1, removed 5, repelled 1) 67; Married 4; Buried (not of the parish 5,) 8.

The number of children connected with the Sunday School is somewhat less than that reported last year. The diminution is owing to efforts that have been made of late by the other religious Societies of the neighborhood, to secure the attendance of their own children upon instruction rendered by themselves. Of such efforts, some of which would have been made under any circumstances, the Rector cannot complain. He has the less reason to do so, inasmuch as he has had occasion more than once during his ministry to say, that, while none were refused admission to the Sunday School, no distinction would be recognized among its members, but all would be regarded as *Catechumens* of the Protestant Episcopal Church: under the direction of the pastor as Catechist, and of the teachers as his aids in the work. He has been particularly gratified with the very hearty concurrence in this view of the institution, manifested by his parishioners. There are *seventeen* teachers engaged in the school, *twelve* of whom are Communicants.

The list of *Catechumens* bears the names of 70 children, more than six years of age, who are instructed "openly in the Church" on the last Sunday of each month, in the afternoon; on which day the Lord's Supper is regularly administered in the morning, and the second service held in the evening. A course of instruction embracing a familiar exposition of a portion of Scripture, and explanations of "the Doctrines, Constitution and Liturgy of the Church," is pursued *weekly* from October to May, inclusive. It was usually attended during the last season by from 75 to 100 persons.

A *lecture* is delivered on Wednesday evening, *monthly*, through the year, and weekly from 1st November to 1st May. The object of the monthly lecture is to impart Missionary and other information having reference to the various institutions of the Church. All these lectures follow the regular Evening Prayer.

Divine Service is celebrated also on Christmas-day, the Circumcision, Epiphany, Ash-Wednesday, Good-Friday, every Wednesday in Lent, Tuesday in Easter week, and on the Friday before each monthly celebration of the Communion.

In addition to appropriations to sustain the Sunday School of the parish, and to relieve the poor of the parish and neighborhood, the following have been the

Contributions during the year:—

Foreign Missions	-	-	-	-	\$21 26
N. Y. Bible and Prayer-book Society,	-	-	-	-	17 00
Prot. Epis. Tract Society,	-	-	-	-	8 00
Gen. Prot. Epis. Theo. Seminary,	-	-	-	-	21 00
Education,	-	-	-	-	12 00
Diocesan Missions,	-	-	-	-	24 00
Domestic "	-	-	-	-	35 00
Church building in Illinois,	-	-	-	-	10 00
Episcopal fund,	-	-	-	-	5 00
Diocesan fund,	-	-	-	-	7 50

St. James' Church, Hyde Park, Dutchess county; the Rev. REUBEN SHERWOOD, Rector.

Baptisms (adults 2, infants 12,) 14; Burials 7; Communicants 56.

Sunday School, about 80 scholars on the register, though from the peculiar location of the Church and other causes, the average attendance is but little more than half that number.

Canonical Collections:—

Missionary and Education Society, viz.

Missionary Branch,	-	-	-	-	\$30 00
Education "	-	-	-	-	20 00
Episcopal fund,	-	-	-	-	10 00
Diocesan fund,	-	-	-	-	12 00
Bible and Prayer-book Society,	-	-	-	-	6 00
Tract Society,	-	-	-	-	7 00

And for the poor, Sunday School, and other parish purposes, about \$100.

The Rector has, during the past summer, officiated three times in the afternoon of Sundays, in Ulster county, directly opposite Hyde Park, where reside a few zealous churchmen, who will, at no distant day, it is believed, erect for themselves a little church.

Christ Church, Poughkeepsie, Dutchess county; the Rev. JOHN REED, D. D., Rector.

Families 200; Communicants 196; Baptisms 41; Confirmed 28; Marriages 29; Sunday scholars 97.

Collections;—

Missionary Diocesan fund,	-	-	-	\$50 00
General Missions,	-	-	-	22 00

St. Paul's Church, Poughkeepsie, Dutchess county; the Rev. FREDERICK W. HATCH, Rector.

The Rector of this Church acknowledges with gratitude the continuance of the Divine goodness, as manifested to himself and his charge, during the past year.

Some truly valuable accessions have been made to the communion, and the little fold has been spared the visitations of death, except in a single instance.

Since the last Convention, by a liberal donation from Trinity Church, and the almost unexampled munificence of a few individuals, this Church has been entirely relieved from debt. God has indeed been gracious to us, both in temporal and spiritual things.

Present Communicants about 45; added, 17; Baptisms, (three adults,) 10; Funerals 6; Marriages, 1.

Zion Church, Wappinger's Creek, Dutchess county; the Rev. GEORGE B. ANDREWS, Rector.

Baptisms, 9; Marriages, 2; Burials, 6; Communicants, (removed 3, added 5) present number, 47; Sunday scholars, 120; Superintendent, 1; Teachers, 12.

Collection for Education and Missionary Society, - - \$30

The Parish and Sunday School Libraries have been much increased by donations and subscription.

Regular services (twice on the Sunday,) have been celebrated throughout the year. The Church has been opened on the principal Festivals and Fasts. Wednesday evening Lectures were held from November until Easter last; also a Bible class attended on Sunday evenings.

There has been an increased attendance on public worship, and through the Divine goodness the spiritual concerns of the parish are in a healthy state. The congregation now numbers as many as fifty families.

Trinity Church, Athens, Greene county; the Rev. JOHN DOWDNEY, jr., Rector.

Baptisms, (infants 4, adults 4,) total 8; Communicants, (removed 1, added 5) present number, 81; Marriages, 1; Burials, (adults 3, infants 5,) total, 8.

This parish consists of 63 families. I assumed the charge of it in October 1833, and was kindly received by its worthy and excellent members. During the year, peace and moderate prosperity have characterised our united efforts for its welfare. As there are in our village five religious societies, exclusive of the Protestant Episcopal Church, the inhabitants are supplied beyond their real need, with the ministrations of the various denominations that are organized. A few years only have elapsed, since our church was the only sanctuary for divine worship. This excess, it is thought, is the main reason of the limited increase of the parish in late years. It is still, however, large and respectable, for a congregation in the country.

During the year the contributions of the parish have been as follows :—

For General Missionary Society, Domestic branch,	-	-	-	\$7 00
“ “ “ Foreign	-	-	-	15 00
Missionary Society of the Diocese,	-	-	-	10 00
Education “ “	-	-	-	3 00
Sunday School of the Parish,	-	-	-	18 00
Tract Society of the Diocese,	-	-	-	1 50
Building Churches in Illinois, after a discourse by the Rev. J. L. Darrow,	-	-	-	20 00
Diocesan Fund,	-	-	-	7 50
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In addition to this sum, eighty dollars have been contributed to defray the incidental expenses of the parish. The whole amount is \$162.

The Sunday school is in good condition. There are seventeen teachers, and about one hundred scholars. Average attendance about eighty-five. The books of instruction are the *Bible*, *Church Catechism*, and *Book of Common Prayer*.

The juvenile members of the parish are organized as a class for instruction in the Church Catechism. The importance of this study has been duly appreciated. I have often urged it upon the notice of my charge, and have had the satisfaction of witnessing a ready compliance with the duty. A class (of *thirty-five* members,) is regularly examined by me in Catechism No. 3. This is occasionally done, in obedience to the Rubric, “openly in the Church,” in the place of a Sermon.

Besides the ordinary Sunday services, the Church has been open for Divine service and a lecture, on Christmas-eve, on the Festival of the Nativity, and on that of the Circumcision ; on Ash-Wednesday, and on the Fridays preceding the administration of the Holy Communion. During the Fast of Lent, appropriate lectures were delivered on Tuesday and Friday evenings. During Passion Week, *five* lectures were delivered after Morning Prayer, on the Epistle for the day.

There is a Female Sewing Society laboring for various benevolent objects. A Bible Class will soon be organised. It is my intention to suggest the plan of “Monthly offerings,” during the ensuing year, under the belief that it will tend to cherish and increase the liberality of the parish, toward the institutions of the Church.

Calvary Church, Cairo, Greene county ; the Rev. JOSEPH F. PHILLIPS, officiating Minister.

I have had the charge of this parish the past year, and have rendered semi-monthly services. The people are serious and attentive, and there is among them a manifest increase of religious sensibility. The vestry are doing all they can to sustain and promote the growth of their little parish, and their efforts, under God, have not been unsuccessful.

Baptisms (infants,) 2 ; Marriages 4 ; Funeral 1 ; Communicants 12 ; Sunday scholars 30 ; Average attendance, 20.

Contribution for Education and Missionary Society, - \$4 31

The Holy Communion has been administered four times within the year.

St. Luke's Church, Catskill, Greene county ; the Rev. JOSEPH F. PHILLIPS, Rector.

This parish has been declining in numbers and resources for the last two years, owing partly to the decease of an unusual proportion of its old and influential members, but chiefly to an extensive declension of the business of the village, and to the suspension (or very feeble prosecution) of the public works connected with this place, which have caused the removal and dispersion of several families belonging to the parish, and greatly diminished or crippled the resources of those who remain.

Under these discouraging circumstances the congregation have exerted themselves with commendable zeal, to sustain their Church and its ministrations. In consequence, however, of the recent destruction of their house of worship by fire,

their affairs have assumed a still more depressed and discouraging aspect; and it is with regret that the Rector feels compelled to report, that the resources of the parish have reached a point of declension, which will hardly justify the expectation that the congregation will be able to bear the accumulated burden of rebuilding their house of worship, and at the same time sustaining the services of the Church among them.

During the year, the services have not differed from those of the last: except that a semi-monthly service on Sunday, P. M., has been rendered to the parish of Cairo; and a series of lectures on the Church Catechism have been read on Tuesday evenings, instead of the Biblical instruction reported last year.

The parish does not at present contain more than 45 families. The number of Communicants has diminished to about 70, (4 have been added, 4, have died, 5 have removed, 2 have apostatized.)

The number of Catechumens is between 40 and 50. Attendants of Sunday School, about the same number. Baptisms 4; Marriages 5; Burials 14.

The Congregation at present enjoys regular services, in the Methodist and Dutch Reformed houses of worship.

The parish has made collections for several objects during the year; but the canonical collections, except that for the Diocesan fund, were prevented by the destruction of the Church, and the consequent irregularity of the services.

The Ladies Benevolent Society continue their zealous and useful operations.

Parish Library, &c., destroyed with the Church.

Christ Church, Greeneville, Greene county; the Rev. JOHN SCOVILL, Rector.

The Church at this place has for several years past been declining, and was found, about a year since, by the present incumbent, in a very low state. Whilst its number of communicants and attendants at church were constantly decreasing by deaths, and removals from the town, few were added—owing, in a great measure, to the strong prejudice that existed among the surrounding inhabitants. That prejudice is still kept up.

Owing to the peculiar situation of the Church edifice, and my unavoidable absence to supply the Church at Oak Hill one half of the time, we were not able to keep up a Sunday school in this parish.

The few families that belong to this parish are much attached to the Church from principle, and very desirous it should be sustained. Besides doing all they possibly could towards my support, they have contributed in the way of weekly offerings for Diocesan Missions, \$12,50, and to the Diocesan Fund, \$6.

Baptisms (children) 4; Communicants (added 3, removed 1, died 1,) 23; Burial 1.

One of the baptisms mentioned was performed while visiting some friends in the town of Canajoharie, in Montgomery county, near the Otsego county line. I found there three females attached to the Church, two females once communicants, but now belonging to no parish.

Trinity Church, Windham, Greene county; the Rev. ORIGEN P. HOLCOMB, Rector.

Marriages 3; Deaths 3; Communicants (removed 12, added by removal 3) present number 55.

Collections:

Episcopal Fund,	-	-	-	-	\$1 00
Convention,	-	-	-	-	3 00
Missionary disposable,	-	-	-	-	5 00

The services of this Church have been regularly performed, with various extra duties, rendered in parts adjacent, the part year.

The avails of the very useful labors of the Female Sewing Society, with several valuable donations received into its treasury, have been devoted to the support of this Church.

Christ Church, Brooklyn; the Rev. KINGSTON GODDARD, Rector.

Baptisms 9; Confirmed 14; Marriages 7; Burials 9; Communicants (added 37, left 7, died 1) 109; number of families in parish, about 80.

Collections:—

Domestic Missions,	-	-	-	-	-	\$578	64
Foreign Missions,	-	-	-	-	-	624	38
Brooklyn Orphan Asylum,	-	-	-	-	-	140	00
Sunday School Fund,	-	-	-	-	-	50	00

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Our own expenses being exceedingly heavy, we were obliged to omit other objects this year. Private efforts for destitute churches not included. The Young Men's Education and Missionary Society held a meeting in the Chapel, at which \$100 were collected, making in all \$1,493 02. The parish generally is prosperous.

St. Ann's Church, Brooklyn; the Rev. BENJAMIN C. CUTLER, D. D., Rector.

Baptisms (infants 41, adult 1,) 42; Marriages 12; Deaths 38; Communicants (added 44, died 6) whole number, 468.

N. B. It is difficult to ascertain the exact number of communicants belonging to an old parish church in a city. To the number of 468 I have arrived, by taking the list my predecessor left, subtracting deaths and removals, and adding new names. About 240 generally are present to partake of the supper.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

No. 1.—Teachers (14 male, 23 female,) 37; Scholars (127 boys, 225 girls,) 352. 1151 volumes in the library.

No. 2.—Teachers (8 male, 14 female,) 22; Scholars 145. 400 volumes in the library. In all, 59 Teachers, 497 Scholars.

Contributions for missionary and charitable objects, \$1,832.

This parish is erecting a house adjoining the Church for a parsonage.

St. John's Church, Brooklyn; the Rev. EVAN M. JOHNSON, Rector.

Baptisms (children 82, adults 8,) 90; Marriages 60; Communicants 126.

The Sunday School was never in a more flourishing condition. The children are regularly instructed in the catechism. The services of the church were never better attended, and the interests of "true religion" flourish. For this we "thank God and take courage." Collections have been made for missionaries in this and other States of our Union, and for various objects connected with the spread of religion and learning among the destitute of the *neglected parts* of our own country. If an excuse be necessary for not exhibiting to the public a *great* amount of money, collected for a great variety of objects, it might be offered from the fact, that this congregation, mindful of the old and almost forgotten proverb, "to be just before you are generous," are making a laudable effort to pay *their own debts*, incurred in enlarging their Church.

St. Mary's Church, Brooklyn; the Rev. JOSEPH HUNTER, Deacon, Minister.

The present minister, having been regularly called to the charge of the parish, entered upon his duties on the first of July, since which time there have been Baptisms (adults 2, children 11,) 13; Communicants (added 4,) 13; Sunday School numbers 70 children, under the care of 7 teachers. The library contains about 100 volumes.

This parish, though in its infancy and laboring under some disadvantages, bids fair, under the blessing of its Divine head, to become large and flourishing, situated as it is, in a destitute and rapidly increasing portion of our city. The first part of the present year lay reading was regularly performed by the present minister.

St. Paul's Church, Brooklyn; the Rev. THOMAS S. BRITTAN, Rector.

Baptisms (adults 2, infants 27,) 29. Confirmations 17; Marriages 19; Funerals 9; Communicants 38.

Sunday School Teachers (male 7, female 10,) 17. Scholars 130.

Collections:—

For Foreign Missions,	-	-	-	-	-	\$30 00
Domestic,	-	-	-	-	-	5 00

St. John's Church, Fort Hamilton, King's county ; the Rev. JAMES D. CARDER, Rector.

Baptisms, (children,) 4; Confirmed 1; Communicants, (added 2, removed 1) 9; Marriages, 0; burials, 0; Sunday scholars, about 20.

During the summer, the Church has been opened every Sunday for divine service, conducted by a clergyman acting for the Rector. In the other part of the year, the rector has officiated at short intervals; when such service did not interfere with the duties of the station which he holds in connexion with the Domestic Committee of the Board of Missions. Owing to the distance of the Church from his residence, and the little opportunity which he has had for pastoral intercourse with the congregation, the influence of his services has been very limited. If any means could be devised for cherishing this feeble parish, which would relieve the present Rector from the care of it, (for the last two or three years gratuitously given) they would receive his ready co-operation.

In his official relation to the Domestic Committee, Mr. Carder has officiated frequently during the year; and has also aided his brethren in New-York by occasional services.

All Saints Church, New-York ; the Rev. BENJAMIN I. HAIGHT, Rector.

During the past year this parish has enjoyed a continuance of that prosperity and peace with which it was so largely favored in the previous year. The congregation has been much enlarged. The additions to the Communion have been numerous, and throughout the parish there has apparently been a deepening interest in the duties of religion and in the "heavenly ways" of the Church. The edifice has been improved by the building of galleries for the Sunday scholars, the alteration of the main galleries so as to render them more sightly and commodious, and by the erection of a large and excellent organ. In this, as in many other matters, it is but just to say, that the parish is largely indebted to the enterprise and liberality of the members of the vestry.

The Church having been lately relieved from its heavy pecuniary embarrassment by the aid of the Corporation of Trinity Church, and of some gentlemen of the vestry, extensive repairs and alterations in the building are in contemplation. If through the munificence of the congregation, and by the divine blessing, these should be completed, they will make it much better fitted for the solemn services to which it has been consecrated, and render it an ornament to this section of the city.

The statistics of the Congregation are as follows:—

Families, 160; Baptisms, (infants, 47, adults, 9,) 56; Confirmations, 20; Marriages, 13; Funerals, 18; Communicants, (added 53, (19 from other churches,) left, 23, died 1) 183; Catechumens, 90; Sunday School Teachers, 43; Scholars, 300.

The Monthly Contributions to the purposes of Christian benevolence, including the collections at the Offertory, have amounted to \$1,571 62; which sum has been appropriated as follows:

Domestic Missions, (including sundry amounts paid to individual missionaries towards the erection of Churches, &c.,)	-	-	-	-	-	\$295 63
Diocesan Education and Missionary Society (the two required canonical collections),	-	-	-	-	-	243 89
Foreign Missions,	-	-	-	-	-	188 06
Parish Sunday School,	-	-	-	-	-	138 19
General Theological Seminary,	-	-	-	-	-	70 00
Bible and Common Prayer Book Society,	-	-	-	-	-	64 00
Tract Society,	-	-	-	-	-	60 00
Episcopal Fund,	-	-	-	-	-	30 00
Diocesan Fund,	-	-	-	-	-	37 50
The Poor, (including Thanksgiving offering),	-	-	-	-	-	409 35
Other objects,	-	-	-	-	-	35 00

———— \$1,571 62

In addition to the services mentioned in the last report, the Church is now opened for Morning Prayer, and a Lecture, *every* Holy Day in the year.

The Rector has reported above, that 20 persons were confirmed. Of these the larger part were confirmed in the neighboring Church of St. Stephen, at the Bishop's visitation ; and it is the intention of the Rector, in those years in which confirmation is not administered in his parish, to pursue a similar course, by fixing upon some occasion of the administration of this Holy rite in a neighboring church for the presentation of all those who not having received the laying on of hands, are duly prepared for the same ; that so none need, except in very special cases, come to the Holy Communion until such time as they be confirmed. A regular course of instruction will accordingly be given every season.

Church of the Annunciation, New-York ; the Rev. SAMUEL SEABURY, D. D., Rector.

Baptisms, (adults 3, infants, 25,) 28 ; Funerals 7 ; Marriages 9 ; Confirmed 38 ; Communicants, about 70.

In consequence of the heavy expenses incurred by the purchase of the Church, and the putting it in suitable order for consecration, the Rector has felt justified in dispensing with the collections that under other circumstances might properly be expected for diocesan and missionary purposes.

Calvary Church, New-York ; the Rev. CHARLES JONES, Rector.

The present incumbent undertook the charge of this parish in November, 1838. A Benevolent Society was organized last winter, chiefly for the purpose of providing destitute children, belonging to the Sunday School, with warm clothing.

The children of the parish have occasionally been publicly examined and instructed in the Church Catechism by the Rector.

Baptisms, (adults, 4, infants, 4,) 8 ; Communicants, (removed, 5, added, 11) present number, 44 ; Marriages 1 ; Burials 3.

Collections :—

Education Society, - - - -	\$3 00
Diocesan Missionary Society, - - -	7 00
Diocesan Fund, - - - -	4 85
The purchase of S. School books, \$10 }	
Benevolent Society, - \$3 74, }	13 74
Subscriptions for the Benevolent Society, - -	25 00
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	\$53 59

Christ Church, New-York ; the Rev. THOMAS LYELL, D. D., Rector, the Rev. ISAAC PECK, Assistant Minister.

We have not much to say in the way of a report concerning this parish. No material change in its condition has occurred since last convention. The congregation, notwithstanding removals, has steadily increased, and evinces in its general aspect a very perceptible improvement. The attendance upon the communion this year has varied between 120 and 150. The usual collections for missionary objects have been made. Our Sunday School during the winter is flourishing ; and on Wednesdays we hold a Bible class. The number of marriages is 44, and of baptisms 40.

Church of the Nativity, New-York ; the Rev. SOLON W. MANNEY, Rector.

This parish may now be said to be established upon a permanent foundation, after great trials and long and persevering efforts. By the liberality of new and unexpected friends, we have been enabled to finish a neat and commodious chapel, at an expense of about three thousand five hundred dollars. There is yet a small

debt, which we have taken efficient means to liquidate. The church, I am happy to state, is flourishing and increasing daily. During the past year I have preached twice on each Sunday, and since the completion of the chapel in June last, have had public prayers on Wednesdays and Fridays.

Families, (10 added, 1 left,) whole number 23; Communicants, (10 added, 3 left,) whole number, 40; Baptisms, 11 infants; Marriages 14; Burials 4; none of which belonged to the congregation.

St. Andrew's Church, New-York; the Rev. ABRAM B. HART, Rector.

Baptisms (infants 14, adult 1) 15; Marriages 6; Funerals (2 of which were extra-parochial) 3; Communicants, about 30.

The reason of an indefiniteness in the return of the number of Communicants is, that some of them are permanent, and others only temporary residents in the parish.

The canonical contributions, and several others, have been made.

There has been this year an increase in the number of our congregation, and, we trust also, an increase in grace and evangelical knowledge.

St. Bartholomew's Church, New-York; the Rev. LEWIS P. W. BALCH, Rector.

The Rector was instituted on the 18th of October, 1838.

Connected with the parish at that time were,

Communicants, -	-	-	-	56
Added since from other Churches, -	-	-	-	42
Added since from St. Bartholomew's Congregation, -	-	-	-	11

Total, 109

Baptisms (adult 1, infants 26) 27; Marriages 9; Deaths (1 communicant) 11.

The Sunday School and Bible Class began on the 1st November, and at the close of the spring, there was an average attendance of 130 scholars. They have this autumn resumed their duties, and the attendance already averages 82 scholars, and 16 teachers.

A Library for the Parish and Sunday School was commenced in December, and now contains 288 volumes.

The children of the congregation and Sunday School are catechised in the Church on the second Sunday of each month, from September to June, inclusive, by the Rector.

A weekly service and lecture has heretofore been held in the Church on Thursday evenings, but hereafter will be held on Wednesday evenings from the 1st Wednesday of October to the last Wednesday of April.

By the liberality of the congregation, the Rector has been enabled to establish a parish school for girls, between the ages of 4 and 11 years. The school opened on the 16th of September, and now contains 23 pupils, 12 of whom are half-orphans. The children are taught the scriptures, catechism, the usual branches of an English education, sacred music, plain and ornamental sewing.

Collections.—The plan of "quarterly collections" for the various church objects has been adopted in this parish. Three have been made, averaging \$200 each; which, together with other contributions, (exclusive of those for the poor) given by this parish during the past year, amount to \$1,280 20.

St. Clement's Church, New-York; the Rev. LEWIS P. BAYARD, D. D., Rector.

Baptisms (adults 3, infants 48) 51; Confirmed 2; Communicants, about 250; Marriages 27; Burials (in the parish 5, without the parish 30) 35.

Collections have been made, agreeably to the directions of the Canon, for all the benevolent institutions of the Church in this Diocese; besides which, by a praiseworthy effort, this congregation has raised a sum amounting to several hundred dollars, to pay off a debt on the organ, and the church is now free of encumbrance.

The Sunday School continues its valuable aid to the Rector in the instruction of the young members of the flock, and no interference is here felt in a work which calls for the utmost and combined effort of Clergy and Laity.

French Church du St. Esprit, New-York ; the Rev. ANTOINE VERREN, Rector.

Baptisms 4 ; Marriages 13 ; Confirmed 4 ; Communicants, about 50.

Our church—that handsome building erected at a great cost in 1832, corner of Franklin and Church streets, and consecrated to the Living God in 1834, has been destroyed by the fire occasioned by the conflagration of the National Theatre. Happily for the congregation the building was insured—certainly not to the full amount of the damage, but for a sum sufficient, under the protection of the Lord, to gather again together our people—which may that terrible warning from above, instruct in humility, watchfulness, and prayer.

St. George's Church, New-York ; the Rev. JAMES MILNOR, D. D., Rector ; the Rev. JAMES W. COOKE, Assistant.

Since the last Convention there have been added to the Communion, 33 ; Died, 7 ; Removed, 16 ; present number of Communicants, 406.

There have been performed 48 Marriages ; Baptism has been administered to 10 adults, and 49 infants ; total 59.

"The Association of St. George's Church for the promotion of Christianity," now in the seventh year of its existence, and its Female auxiliary, have continued their labors, and, besides contributing to some religious objects of a more general character, have, since the last Convention, appropriated and paid to institutions and objects exclusively belonging to our own Church, as follows :—

To the Domestic Missionary Committee of the Protestant

Episcopal Church, - - -	\$500 00
Foreign Missionary Committee, - - -	500 00
Education and Missionary Society of the Diocese of New-York, - - -	100 00
General Protestant Episcopal Sunday School Union, - - -	50 00
New-York Bible and Common Prayer Book Society, - - -	50 00
Protestant Episcopal Tract Society, - - -	50 00
Young Men, beneficiaries of the Association, preparing for the Ministry of the Protestant Episcopal Church, - - -	450 00
Sunday Schools of St. George's Church, - - -	120 50

In addition to the above, there was collected and paid to the Treasurer of the General Theological Seminary, after a sermon by the Rector, the sum of 116 16

And there has been paid to the Treasurer of the Convention for the Diocesan Fund, - - - 30 00

Making in the aggregate (besides donations from the Communion Fund) the sum of - - - \$1,966 66

The Sunday Schools, under the supervision of the Rector and his assistant, have been carefully attended to by an adequate number of diligent teachers of both sexes. The scholars are in number about four hundred, being somewhat reduced in consequence of a continual lessening of the number of dwelling houses in the lower part of the City, and the substitution of stores and warehouses in their stead.

The services of the Church have been conducted in the manner stated in the report of last year, with the addition of an expository Sunday evening Lecture by the assistant during seven or eight months of the year. The practice of substituting a public catechetical exercise instead of a sermon in the afternoon of each communion Sunday, has been found to be both interesting and profitable to the children and youth of the congregation.

*St. Luke's Church, New-York ; the Rev. JOHN MURRAY FORBES, Rec-
tor.*

This parish, by the blessing of God, has prospered as much during the ~~past~~ year, as during any previous year of the ministry of the present Rector. The Sunday School and Missionary Societies are in the most efficient state for usefulness. The parish duty has been rather more than usual.

Baptisms, (adults 6, children 84) total 90 ; Marriages 22 ; Funerals 27 ; Communicants, added 40, total about the same as last year, 260.

The contributions to benevolent objects have been as follows :

For Missionary purposes,	
Foreign, \$150. Domestic, \$722, - - -	\$872 00
Education Branch of the Diocesan Education and	
Missionary Society, - - - -	283 00
General Theological Seminary, - - - -	103 00
For the Poor, - - - -	303 18
Bible and Prayer Book Society, - - - -	57 00
Tract Society, - - - -	35 00
Parish Library, - - - -	30 00
Diocesan Fund, - - - -	18 75
Sunday School, - - - -	85 00

*St. Mark's Church, New-York ; the Rev. HENRY ANTHON, D. D.,
Rector.*

Interments, Parishioners 5, non-Parishioners, 102 ; Marriages, 14 ; Baptisms, adults 4 ; children 83. Of this number 32 belonged to the Infant and Sunday Schools, and were baptised on Good Friday.

Catechumens, 50. Fall Season for the duty from October to March. Spring Season from April to July. Sunday scholars registered, 140 ; average attendance 60 ; Teachers, 15. Infant School, 120 ; average attendance, 90 ; Teachers, 2. Bible Classes, 2, from October until April. Wednesday evening Lectures from November until April. Persons confirmed, 35 ; Communicants, (removed 10, added, 20, added from other parishes, 26, total added, 46) present number, about 160 ; Families, (removed, 13, added, 17,) present number, 135.

The formation of a Parish Library has been begun since my last report. The vestry have had erected a suitable iron fence around the Church and Church-yard, and have commenced a Rectory which will be finished next year.

Collections :

Sunday School Union, - - - -	\$153 31
Young Men's Education and Missionary Society, - - - -	200 56
Domestic Missionary Committee, - - - -	661 51
Foreign Missionary " - - - -	907 62
Infant School, - - - -	362 50

\$2,285 50

*St. Peter's Church, New-York ; the Rev. HUGH SMITH, D. D., Rec-
tor.*

Marriages 21 ; Baptisms (adults 3, infants 72) 75 ; Funerals (of which 11 were of those attached to the Parish) 16 ; Communicants (died 3, removed 51, added 55;) leaving the present number about as before reported, viz. 160.

Notwithstanding the many removals, especially of Communicants, during the year, there has still been a gratifying increase in the number of attendants.

Collections have been made for the Sunday School of the parish, for the Domestic Branch of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, and for the General Theological Seminary, in addition to the other collections required by the Canons. Lectures adapted to the seasons of Advent, Epiphany, and Lent, were delivered in those seasons respectively ; and also a lecture preparatory to each administration of the Lord's Supper, except during the summer season.

The Sunday School has been in successful operation, and a Bible class for young ladies has also been held on Sunday, under the charge of one of the students of the Theological Seminary; both being under the general care and oversight of the Rector.

St. Philip's Church, New-York; the Rev. PETER WILLIAMS, Rector.

Baptisms (7 of which were adults, and 36 infants) 43; Marriages 19; present number of Communicants, 215; present number of Sunday scholars 115, and of teachers 17; the number of interments in our cemetery during the year is 93, of which the greater part were strangers.

The Rector and congregation of the above Church are colored persons.

St. Stephen's Church, New-York; the Rev. JOSEPH H. PRICE, Rector.

Baptisms (adults 9, infants 62,) 71; Funerals 20; Marriages 17; Communicants (added 73, removed and died 4,) present number 244; Confirmed 52; number of families 240.

Contributions:

To City Missions,	-	-	-	-	\$121 61
Domestic Missions,	-	-	-	-	526 69
Foreign Missions,	-	-	-	-	402 12
Education and Missionary Society,	-	-	-	-	104 07
Bible and Prayer Book Society,	-	-	-	-	50 00
Poor, and other objects, about	-	-	-	-	350 00

\$1,554 49

In addition to the above, the Infant School has been liberally supported. During the season of Lent five services were held between Sunday and Sunday. The other services have been the same as the last year. The parish is prosperous, and there is an increasing regard for order, and for practical religion.

St. Thomas' Church, New-York; The Rev. FRANCIS L. HAWKS, D. D., Rector. The Rev. CHARLES H. HALSEY, Deacon, Assistant Minister.

Marriages 33; Baptisms (infants 63, adults 8,) 71; Funerals 24; Communicants 415; Sunday and Infant Schools, Teachers 72; Scholars 800; Libraries—Congregational Parish Library, 260 vols.; Children's Parish Library, 225 vols.; Sunday School Library, 3010.

Collections have been made, pursuant to the Canon, for the Diocesan and Episcopal Funds; also for the Education and Missionary Society of the Diocese. Besides several others for general and special purposes.

Trinity Church, including St. Paul's and St. John's Chapels, New-York; the Rev. WILLIAM BERRIAN, D. D., Rector; the Rev. JONATHAN M. WAINWRIGHT, D. D., and the Rev. EDWARD Y. HIGBEE, Assistant Ministers.

Communicants 800; Baptisms 186; Confirmed 114; Marriages 77; Burials 266.

Collections, &c.:

For the Missionary Branch of the Education and Missionary Society of the Diocese—

Trinity,	-	-	-	-	-	\$110 86
St. John's,	-	-	-	-	-	113 03
Female Auxiliary Education and Missionary Society—						
St. Paul's,	-	-	-	-	-	74 20
St. John's,	-	-	-	-	-	52 00

Annual Contribution of the Corporation of Trinity Church for the Education Branch of the Education and Missionary Society, 600 00

Episcopal Fund—		
St. Paul's,	- - - - -	\$71 00
St. John's,	- - - - -	73 00
General Theological Seminary—		
St. Paul's,	- - - - -	110 79
St. John's,	- - - - -	242 99
Protestant Episcopal Tract Society—		
St. Paul's,	- - - - -	82 47
St. John's,	- - - - -	71 13
New-York Bible and Common Prayer Book Society—		
St. Paul's,	- - - - -	101 88
St. John's,	- - - - -	88 23
Young Men's Auxiliary Education and Missionary Society—		
St. Paul's,	- - - - -	66 43
New-York Protestant Episcopal City Mission Society—		
Trinity,	- - - - -	107 59
St. Paul's,	- - - - -	130 24
St. John's,	- - - - -	126 31

Zion Church, New-York ; the Rev. WILLIAM RICHMOND, Rector.

Baptisms (infants 90, adults 8) 98; Marriages 13; Communicants (added 30, removed 42, died 5), 150; Funerals 24; Sunday School Teachers 27; Sunday scholars 290.

Collections :—

Domestic Committee of Domestic and Foreign	
Missionary Society of the Prot. Epis. Ch. in	
the United States,	\$100 00
Missionary branch of Ed. and Missionary	
Soc. in New-York,	26 17
Education branch of the same,	27 93
Diocesan Fund,	18 00
Episcopal Fund of the Diocese,	10 00
For the poor in Sixth Ward and its vicinity,	265 00
Towards paying for Sunday School Room,	197 00

The visiting Committees appointed by the Rector, agreeably to the plan reported last year, have made one or more visits to about six hundred families in this part of the city, and have distributed, as reported above, two hundred and sixty-five dollars among them. As the galleries of this church are free to all who may choose to occupy them during divine service, one of the objects of the visitors is to ascertain whether any persons are prevented from attending the services of our Church by the want of seats, and to inform them that there are about three hundred free sittings in Zion Church. The fluctuating character of part of the population in the portion of the city where the church is situated, will account in some measure for the great proportion of removals from the Communion. The Rector is more fully convinced, than at the commencement of the system, of the importance and spiritual benefits, both to the visitors and the visited, of the plan that has been adopted.

A class of Catechumens, consisting of about 25, has been instructed on Sundays by a student of the General Theological Seminary; and another, on one evening in each week, by the Rector. For most of the year the children are catechised at the chancel, on Sunday mornings at half past nine, by the Rector. There were many additional services during the season of Lent.

St. James' Church, Goshen, Orange county; the Rev. THOMAS MALLABY, Rector.

Baptisms (adults 2, infants 8,) 10; Marriages 3; Funerals 7; Communicants (added 2, removed 2,) 43; Families 40; adult members of the congregation, 140; Sunday School Scholars, 58; Teachers 12; Parish Library, say 93 vols.; Sunday School Library, 175 vols.

Collections:—

Education and Missionary Society of the Diocese,	\$25 00
General Domestic Missions, - - - -	20 00
Foreign Missions, - - - -	15 00
General Theological Seminary, - - - -	34 00
Episcopal Fund, - - - -	18 00
Diocesan Fund, - - - -	2 00

\$114 00

There is but little to be added to the above particulars. It may be observed however, that there has been a steady increase of numbers to the congregation; and that the parish, with a due regard to its own wants, has made a prompt and (for its size) a liberal response to the wants of the Church in general. These fruits would fain be taken as a promise that the greater importance of the spiritual life is not overlooked. The principal Holy-days in the year have been observed. The season of Lent was kept by the celebration, on each Wednesday, of divine service, with a lecture, and an additional service in Passion Week.

A system of catechetical instruction has been commenced "openly in the church," in which the use of the church catechism is connected with an address from the Rector.

St. George's Church, Newburgh, Orange county; the Rev. JOHN BROWN, Rector.

Baptisms (adult 1, children 22) 23; Marriages 10; Burials 20; Communicants (added 14, died 2, removed 6,) 112; Sunday School scholars 154; Teachers 25. Sunday School in a flourishing condition.

Collections:—

General Missionary Soc. Domestic department,	\$30 75
Theological Seminary, - - - -	13 75
Diocesan Missionary Fund, - - - -	38 00
Episcopal Fund, - - - -	10 00
Education Fund, - - - -	5 00
Diocesan Fund, - - - -	10 00
For Parish Sunday School, - - - -	46 50

St. Andrew's Church, Walden, Orange county; the Rev. HENRY W. SWEETZER, Deacon, Minister.

I entered upon the duties of this parish, Monday, October 22d, 1838. From which date I report,
Baptized (infant) 1; Confirmed 3; Communicants (removed 4) present number 36.

There have been contributions,

Education - - - -	\$5 56
Missionary, (Diocesan,) - - - -	5 94

\$11 50

According to vote passed last spring by the vestry, both the Church and Rectory of this parish have been repaired and painted.

N. B. The following contributions have been forwarded to their different destinations, but did not appear in the annual report:

For 1837.—Education and Missionary Society, - -	\$8 95
Diocesan Fund, - - - -	3 00
Tract Society, - - - -	2 00

\$13 95

Also, during the interval between the Rev. Robert Shaw's resignation, and the present minister's acceptance of the charge of this parish, our records say that there were contributed and forwarded to the

Education and Missionary Society, - - -	\$6 00
For Domestic Missions, - - -	5 50

\$11 50

Christ Church, Cooperstown, Otsego county; the Rev. **FREDERICK T. TIFFANY**, Rector.

Baptisms (infants 9, adults 2) 11; Funerals 10; Marriages 9; Communicants (died 2, added 2) 88.

Collections for N. Y. Bible and Common Prayer-book Society,

" " Protestant Episcopal Tract Society,
" " Education and Missionary "
" " Domestic and Foreign " "

In consequence of the ill health of the Rector, the Rev. Isaac Swart continued to act as Assistant until the first of April, when, through the blessing of a kind Providence, the Rector was enabled, after an interruption of eighteen months, to resume the whole charge of the parish. Temporally and spiritually we trust the Church is prosperous. The building has been enlarged and repaired, and improvements made to the amount of some \$2,000. One thousand of which "The Ladies' Society of Christ Church," have, with a zeal and devotedness worthy of all praise, raised and paid over to the vestry.

Zion Church, Louisville, Otsego county; the Rev. **AMOS B. BEACH**, Rector.

I entered upon the duties of Rector of this Church in November last, since which time there have been,

Baptised (infants 12, adults 7) 19; Confirmed 2; added to Communion 11; present number about 140; Funerals 2; Marriages 9; Sunday School, teachers 25, scholars about 150.

The collections in this Church for the past year have been as follows :

Education and Missionary Society,	
Education branch, - - - - -	\$3 00
Missionary " - - - - -	5 00
General Missionary Society,	
Domestic Committee, - - - - -	9 74
Foreign " - - - - -	3 98
Churches in Collinsville and parts adjacent, paid to the	
Rev. J. L. Darrow, - - - - -	27 00
Bible and Prayer-book Society, Central, - - -	5 00
" " " " Diocese of N. Y., - - -	5 00

It may be well to add, as serving to throw light upon the present condition of the parish, that they have nearly completed a Parsonage, which they have been erecting at an expense of about \$1500; and that the parish, through the blessing of God, is in a state of harmony and peace, which gives promise of the most flattering nature for the future.

St. Matthew's Church, Unadilla, Otsego county; the Rev. **NORMAN H. ADAMS**, Rector.

Baptisms, (adults 2, infants 9) 11; Marriages 5; Funerals 9; Sunday scholars 74; Communicants, (added 7, died 3) whole number about 100.

Collections:—

After Sermon before the Female Missionary Society	
of St. Matthew's Church, Unadilla, - - -	\$11 50
Female Missionary Society, - - - - -	14 50
Episcopal Fund, - - - - -	4 00
	<hr/> \$30 00

St. Philip's Church, Phillipstown, Putnam county, the Rev. **EBENEZER WILLIAMS**, Rector.

My report from my present location embraces a period of scarcely four months.

I rejoice, however, that during my short residence here, Providence seems to smile upon the congregations; and I cannot but flatter myself that my feeble efforts to promote the glory of God, and the salvation of immortal souls, will be crowned with success.

At the Episcopal visitation to this church on 13th ult., 21 partook of the Holy Sacrament. I am not able at present to ascertain the exact number of Communicants, no parish register having been kept of the last year. Confirmations 2; Sunday School scholars 30, with the efficient aid of 6 female teachers. The Ladies of this Church, in conjunction with the charitable female members of the congregation, and others at Cold Spring, have formed a "Ladies Benevolent Society," which is in successful operation. The great need of Sunday School books, and other means to encourage children to attend, most of them living a considerable distance from the church, has hitherto prevented my presenting the necessity of our Canonical collections, but shall forthwith attend to them, hoping they will be liberally contributed to.

I officiate every Sunday afternoon at Cold Spring, where it is strongly anticipated that a neat and commodious Episcopal edifice will be erected in the course of the ensuing year. Baptisms (infants) 5; Marriages 1; Funerals 1; Two ladies, members of the church, have provided for the official duties at this place, a valuable surplice. A gentleman has also presented St. Philip's and Cold Spring Churches with a neat and an appropriate Register-book.

As late missionary at Hoosick Falls, Rensselaer county, Mr. Williams reports as follows:—

From 15th of July until 4th of September, during most of the time I assisted the Rev. E. N. Mead of Sing Sing, in his duties as Chaplain of the State Prison. On the 4th, I took charge of the station at Hoosick Falls. Baptisms (infants) 3; Marriages 2; Funerals 2. The Holy communion was administered 16th December, by the Rev. N. O. Preston, of Bennington, Ver. Communicants (added 1,) 2; Resigned this Parish in May, 1839, from which period to the 9th of June, I preached twice at Arlington, Vermont, once at St. Paul's, Sing Sing, once at St. Peter's, Peekskill.

St. George's Church, Astoria, Queen's county, the Rev. JOHN W. BROWN, Rector.

Baptisms (adults 2, infants 6,) 8; Confirmed 3; Communicants (added 7, received 3, removed 11,) present number 37; Marriages 3; Sunday School scholars on the register, 120; attendance 75; teachers 20.

The Rector has to acknowledge, with thankfulness to Almighty God, the continued and increasing prosperity of this Parish.

Since the last report, a new parish, under the name of St. Thomas' Church, Ravenswood, has been formed within the bounds of St. George's; the reasons of which have been submitted by those concerned to the Bishop of the diocese. The consent of the Rector was given to the organization.

In accordance with the expressed views of the church on the subject of Christian Education, the vestry of St. George's Church, Astoria, have assumed the responsibility of establishing a permanent institution for female education, on a liberal foundation. This institution, under the name of the "Astoria Female Institute," has been placed under the exclusive supervision and control of the Rector of the Parish, as its principal. A beautiful and commodious building has been erected, which is now occupied for the purposes of the Institute.

An Academical School has also been organized under the Rector, the principal charge of which devolves upon the Rev. Mr. Clapp, Chaplain and assistant teacher to the Institute. The Rev. S. M. Haskins divides the duties of teacher between the Institute and the Academy.

Both these institutions are in a flourishing condition. The Rector has thought it to be his duty to open the church for daily morning prayer. The members of the Institute, as parishioners of St. George's, attend this service. The daily evening prayer is held in the chapel.

The collections during the year have amounted to about 150 dollars. Part of

this has been already applied to liquidate the expenses of church repairs ; the remainder will be distributed among the institutions of the Church. A few generous members of the congregation have united in the purchase of a fine-toned organ, from the manufactory of Mr. Henry Erben, of New-York.

The church has been open for Divine service regularly on every Lord's day, morning and afternoon. A Bible class on Sunday evenings, and a weekly lecture on Wednesday evenings, have been sustained during the greater part of the year with encouraging results. The children of the congregation are regularly catechised by the Rector on the afternoons of communion Sundays. During Passion week the church was open every morning for prayers, and every evening for prayers and a sermon appropriate to the solemnities of the season.

The Rector is happy to add, that Bishop Onderdonk has consented to sustain the interesting and important relation of Visitor to the Institute.

St. George's Church, Flushing, Queen's county ; the Rev. FREDERIC J. GOODWIN, Rector.

Baptisms (adults 4, infants 28,) 32; Confirmed 7; Marriages 6; Funerals 24; Communicants (removed 4, died 3, added 25) 125.

Collections :

Foreign Missions,	-	-	-	\$90 50
Domestic Missions,	-	-	-	90 50
Diocesan Missions,	-	-	-	50 00
General Theological Seminary,	-	-	-	40 00
Education Society,	-	-	-	50 00
Diocesan Fund,	-	-	-	13 00
Children's Missionary Collections,	-	-	-	18 00
Bible and Prayer Book Society,	-	-	-	40 00
Protestant Episcopal Tract Society,	-	-	-	13 00
Sunday School of the Parish,	-	-	-	46 00
Sunday School Union,	-	-	-	18 00

\$469 00

In addition to the above contributions, there has been purchased for the Church during the past conventional year, a fine-toned organ, at an expense of six hundred dollars. A house and lot have also been permanently secured as a rectory, at an expense of four thousand five hundred dollars. Connected with the Church, there are two Sunday Schools containing one hundred and seventy five children, under twenty-five teachers, to assist the Rector as superintendant. The Rector is invariably present at the opening of the School, and examines the children on appointed portions of the Scripture and the Catechism. They are also examined in the Catechism publicly in Church several times during the year. Connected with the School, there is a library of seven hundred volumes. Divine Service was celebrated during the season of Lent, and on all the more important festivals of the Church, with a very gratifying attendance and happy results. There have been Friday evening lectures, from the first of November to the first of April. In the increase, harmony, and growing seriousness of the congregation, the Rector finds much to encourage him. He is also happy to state that in a very destitute part of his parish, a neat and commodious Church has been erected, through the liberality of a member of the Society of Friends. Divine Service has been conducted in it every Lord's day, principally by the Rev. Mr. Kerfoot, who is connected with St. Paul's College. The cheering results which have thus far attended his labors, are such as to call for sincere thankfulness to the author of all good.

St. George's Church, Hempstead, including Trinity Chapel, Rockaway, Queen's county ; the Rev. WILLIAM M. CARMICHAEL, Rector.

Baptisms (adults 2, children 13,) 15; Communicants (added 16,) whole number about 160; Burials (adults 11, children 8,) 19; Marriages 13; Sunday School scholars 50; teachers 10.

Contributions :

Monthly Offerings for Domestic and Foreign Missions,	\$83 36
Monthly Tract Operations,	35 00
Episcopal Fund,	16 69
Diocesan Fund,	6 70
Juvenile Missionary Association of St. George's Church,	4 36
Theol. Sem., contributed by two members of the Church,	55 00
Donation for the poor of the Parish, by an individual,	50 00
The Female Sewing Society have raised again this year, by a Fair, towards the erection of a Sunday School Room,	200 00
	<hr/> \$451 11

Grace Church, Jamaica, Queen's county; the Rev. WILLIAM L. JOHNSON, Rector.

Families 54; Baptisms 11; Marriages 4; Burials 10; Communicants (died 3, removed 5,) 64; Confirmed 8.

Collections —

For Diocesan Fund,	\$ 9 00
For Missionary and Education Soc. after sermon by Rector,	35 71
For Missionary and Education Society, appropriation by the Ladies Missionary Association,	100 00
For African Missions, by Female Missionary Society,	50 00
For Domestic Branch of Domestic and For. Miss. Society,	100 00
For General Theological Seminary, from two individuals,	20 00

Services twice every Lord's day--on Friday before Communion--and on the principal festivals and fasts throughout the year.

Christ Church, Manhasset, and St. Paul's Church, Glen Cove, Queen's county; the Rev. JAMES P. F. CLARKE, Rector.

Manhasset. Baptisms (infants) 3; Marriages 3; Funerals 8; Communications (added 6, removed 1) 57.

Contributions :—

To Diocesan Missionary Fund,	\$7 58
Education Fund,	5 00
Episcopal Fund,	4 75
Diocesan Fund,	3 04

Glen Cove. Communicants (added 3, removed 1) 4.

Contributions :—

To Diocesan Missionary Fund,	\$4 46
Education Fund,	3 00

St. James' Church, Newtown, Queen's county; the Rev. GEORGE A. SHELTON, Rector.

The Rector reports that his congregation gradually increases in numbers, and he trusts also, in faith and zeal.

The church has been opened on most of the Holy days, and on the Friday previous to the administration of the Communion. During the winter, evening services have been held at private houses in different parts of the parish, so that most of the members might have an opportunity of attending a lecture weekly. In this way also the gospel has been presented to some, who do not hear it in the house of God.

Of the Communicants, 4 have died, 4 have been added, 1 has left, and one has been received.

The Collections by Monthly Offerings have been,—

Theological Seminary,	\$ 12 00
Diocesan Missionary Society,	32 25
Foreign and Domestic Missionary Society,	156 50
Total Monthly Offerings, including a Christmas offering from one individual of \$100,	<hr/> 200 75

To Ladies' Sewing Society,	-	-	-	21 00
To Society,	-	-	-	16 00
To Jubilee College,	-	-	-	50 00
To other purposes,	-	-	-	57 81

Total, \$345 56

St. Thomas's Church, Ravenswood, Queen's county; the Rev. WILLIAM STAUNTON, Rector.

This parish was organized in the month of January of the present year, and on the 1st of March the Rector entered upon his duties. Since that time, the usual morning and evening services have been held on every Sunday, in a commodious hall, fitted up for the purpose, in the mansion, formerly the residence of Col. Gibbs. In June, a course of Thursday evening Lectures on the Constitution, Worship, and Usages of the Church, were commenced, and have been continued down to the present time. In the same month, the corner stone of our Church was laid by the Bishop of the Diocese, and the building is now going forward with vigor. The style of architecture is the Gothic,—the design neat, and as ornamental as our limited funds would justify. It is hoped that the Church will be ready for consecration in the early part of the ensuing year.

The circumstances under which the erection of this Church has been undertaken, are not a little peculiar and interesting. The village of Ravenswood is evidently destined to number a large population. Its beautiful site, not less than its relation to the city of New-York would secure this. But at the present time, both the village and the Church are in their infancy. The families now resident are, however, almost without an exception, *Episcopal*; and in most cases are valuable offsets from the city churches. By these, then, it was determined to erect a substantial house for the worship of God, which should bear date with the first rise of the village, and stand ready to invite to its pure and ancient worship, all who might be disposed to pitch their tents around it. At present—united like one family,—we know nothing of the perils of heresy, or the evils of schism. And we trust that in erecting a sanctuary for the Most High, under these circumstances, we shall both enjoy His blessing, and contribute some little to promote among men, the “unity of spirit, in the bond of peace.”

Connected with the Church we have a flourishing Sunday School, numbering about 35 scholars, with a superintendant and 5 teachers. The short period since the organization of the Church, and the large contributions necessary for the erection of our edifice, and the support of ministrations, must be our apology for having omitted the required collections.

Trinity Church, Lansingburgh, Rensselaer county; the Rev. PHINEAS L. WHIPPLE, Rector.

Baptisms (adult 1, infants 14) 15; Marriages 6; Funerals 11; Communicants (added 7, died 3, removed 3) present number 62; Sunday scholars usually attending, about 45.

Collections:—

For General Domestic Missions	-	-	-	\$27 00
Diocesan Education and Missionary Society,	-	-	-	25 00
Diocesan Fund,	-	-	-	9 00
Bible and Prayer book Society,	-	-	-	4 00
Tract Society,	-	-	-	3 00

Total, \$68 00

During the present season this parish has expended about one thousand dollars in repairing the Church and organ, and the Rector has reason to hope that the prospects of the parish are improving in its spiritual condition, as they are in its temporal.

Christ Church, Troy; the Rev. WILLIAM F. WALKER, Rector.

It has just been discovered that the report from this parish for the year terminating at the meeting of the last annual Convention, is not contained in the Journal for that year. The present report, therefore, will embrace the period which has elapsed since the Convention of 1837.

Baptisms (adults 12, infants 43) 55; Confirmations 19; Communicants (added 65, removed 31, died 9) 98; Marriages 10; Burials 22.

Collections:—

For Education and Missionary Society,	-	-	\$33 17
Diocesan Fund,	-	-	5 00
Episcopal Fund,	-	-	3 44
Bible and Prayer book Society,	-	-	30 71
Protestant Episcopal Tract Society	-	-	4 10

The church edifice, for which the corner-stone was laid May 10, 1838, was consecrated June 1st, of the present year. In this, besides the usual services of Sunday, *daily* morning and evening prayer is celebrated throughout the week. On special Festivals and Fasts, at Evening Prayer, there is a sermon or lecture explanatory of the observance, and enforcing the particular duty thus brought to notice.

Instead of meeting in a Sunday School for religious instruction, the children and youth of the parish form a catechetical class under the special charge of the Rector, and assemble before him around the chancel, for his instruction one hour, between Morning and Evening Prayer on Sunday. The operation of this plan is such as to satisfy of its superior excellence and efficiency.

We acknowledge with gratitude to the great Head of the Church, that under his guidance and blessing the interests of the parish generally are prosperous.

St. John's Church, Troy; the Rev. RICHARD COX, Rector.

Communicants (added 23, removed 16, died 1) present number 98; Baptisms (adults 6, infants 26) 32; Confirmed 12; Marriages 6; Funerals 17.

Collections:—

For the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society,	-	\$130 42
N. Y. Education and Missionary Society,	-	20 00
General Theological Seminary,	-	12 00
N. Y. Bible and Common Prayer book Society,	-	16 04
Protestant Episcopal Tract Society,	-	8 00

There have been divine service and lecture in the church on Wednesday evenings throughout the year with the exception of the summer months.

The Sunday School has from 100 to 120 regular attendants. The Rector superintends it in person.

St. Paul's Church, Troy; the Rev. ROBERT B. VAN KLEECK, Rector.

Baptisms (adults 7, infants 55) 62; Marriages 8; Funerals 18; Confirmed in St. John's and Christ churches 12; Communicants (added 36, removed 16, died 7) 210.

Collections and Contributions:—

For the General Theological Seminary,	-	-	\$155 00
N. Y. Bible and Prayer book Society,	-	-	106 15
Education and Missionary Society of N. Y. by a female auxiliary,	-	-	328 00
Board of Missions—Domestic,	\$457 75		
Foreign	122 25		580 00

Other contributions have also been made in aid of feeble churches in the vicinity and elsewhere, and for other objects.

Divine service and a lecture have been held on every Wednesday evening, except during the summer months. The church has been opened for prayer on every Wednesday morning preceding the Communion, on Wednesdays and Fri-

days during Lent, and every day during Passion week. The Rector has again to acknowledge the kind assistance of the venerable David Butler, D. D., who yet lives in a vigorous and happy old age. May his declining days be as peaceful as his life has been honored and useful.

St. Andrew's Church, Richmond, including Trinity Chapel, Factoryville, Richmond county; the Rev. DAVID MOORE, Rector.

Families 250; Communicants 300; Baptisms 47; Funerals 25; Marriages 5; Sunday scholars 120.

Collections for the Episcopal and Missionary funds have been duly made.

St. Paul's Church, Tompkinsville, Richmond county; the Rev. AMOS D. M'Coy, Rector.

The present Rector entered on the charge of the parish on the first of February last. Number of Communicants at that time 45; added since 5; died 1; present number 49; Baptisms during the year (infants 28, adult 1) 29; Marriages 3; Funerals 4; Families 65; number of teachers in the Sunday School 14; scholars 130. The library of the school contains 320 volumes. The valuable and useful parish library has been enlarged and now contains 230 volumes.

The present condition of the parish is prosperous, and its prospects very encouraging. The number of pews rented this year very much exceeds that of the two preceding years.

Collections:—

Education and Missionary Society of the Diocese,					
Education department,	-	-	-	-	\$4 00
Missionary do.	-	-	-	-	6 50
General Theological Seminary,	-	-	-	-	10 00
Bible and Com. Prayer Book Society,	-	-	-	-	10 00
Protestant Episcopal Tract Society,	-	-	-	-	5 00
Domestic Missionary Board,	-	-	-	-	7 00
Foreign do. do.	-	-	-	-	50
Diocesan Fund,	-	-	-	-	10 00

St. Paul's Church, Charlton, Saratoga county; the Rev. EDWARD DAVIS, Rector.

Baptisms (including 1 adult) 6; Marriages 4; Burials 5.

Collections for the Missionary society, \$25; ten dollars of which were contributed by the Ladies' Society of Industry attached to the parish.

Christ Church, Duaneburgh, Schenectady county; the Rev. WILLIAM B. THOMAS, Rector.

Communicants (removed 4, added 3,) 29; Baptisms (infants 2, adult 1,) 3; Marriages 2; Burials 4.

Collections:—

Missionary Fund,	-	-	-	-	\$25 50
Episcopal Fund,	-	-	-	-	13 75
Diocesan Fund,	-	-	-	-	7 50

St. George's Church, Schenectady; the Rev. WILLIAM H. WALTER, Rector.

Baptisms (adults 13, children 36.) total 49; Confirmed 69; Communicants (added 25,) present number 135; Marriages 3; Burials 18; Sunday School, teachers 31; scholars 165. Collections for religious purposes, \$285.32. Of this amount there were received for the

Episcopal fund, - - - - -	\$ 6 15
Convention fund, - - - - -	10 85
Gen. Theo. Seminary, - - - - -	40 00
Education and Missionary Society, - - - - -	63 00
Churches in Illinois, - - - - -	6 00
“ “ Texas from the Sunday School Box, - - - - -	7 00
Sunday School of the Parish, - - - - -	90 98

The ill health of the late Rector, the Rev. Aldert Smedes, compelled him to resign the charge of this parish in May last. He left it possessed of the universal confidence and affection of the people whom he had served with acknowledged fidelity and success. The present Rector, who had been officiating for Mr. S. during the previous winter and spring, was then called to this cure, and is now permitted to report it as favored still, through God's blessing, with the same growing measure of prosperity, external and spiritual, as marked its state under his predecessor. Many additions to its communion have been received, and larger accessions may soon be expected. The visitations of the Diocesan for the purposes of Institution and Confirmation, granted on three occasions since the last annual Convention, have been productive of decided benefit to this church, and are gratefully remembered in it.

St. John's Church, Ogdensburgh, St. Lawrence county ; the Rev. WILLIAM BARLOW, Rector.

Baptisms (infants 36, adults 4,) total 40; Marriages 12; Burials 17; Communicants (removed 3,) present number 65; Families having seats in church 55; Sunday scholars about 50; Teachers 10.

The sittings in the church have been diminished by forming, in several instances, two or more slips into Pews. No further increase of the congregation can take place until the church edifice is enlarged. That measure was contemplated, but has been laid aside for the present, on account of the late commercial embarrassments of the country.

Trinity Church, Potsdam, St. Lawrence county ; the Rev. ALBIN K. PUTNAM, Deacon, Minister.

After the removal of the former Rector, the Rev. Richard Bury, in 1837, this parish was without a clergyman until January of the present year. During that time the Church was regularly supplied with lay reading. Since January, I have officiated regularly in the Church on Sundays, and besides, have given lectures often in distant parts of the parish, officiated twice at Canton, and three times at Norfolk. The spiritual condition of my parish is highly encouraging. The Sunday school, under the efficient superintendence of Mr. David L. Clarkson, is well sustained, and a Bible class meet the Rector every week.

Baptisms (adults 3, infants 21) 24; Confirmed 15; Communicants (removed 8, added 16) 30; Funerals 3; Sunday School, scholars 50; teachers 10; Members of the Bible class, 20.

At Norfolk there have been confirmed, 6; and there are Communicants, 11.

Trinity Church, Ulster, Ulster county ; the Rev. HIRAM ADAMS, Rector.

The present incumbent commenced his duties in Trinity parish, Ulster, Ulster county, on the 1st of May last, and reports only from that time.

Baptisms (infants) 15; Marriage 1; Burials 5; Communicants, 2 added to the Church, making the whole number as far as positively known, 28.

Collections have been made as follows :—

Theological Seminary, - - - - -	\$9 00
Missionary Society, - - - - -	10 00
Diocesan Fund, - - - - -	5 00
Education “ - - - - -	5 00

The church is generally in as prosperous a condition as usual. The Sunday school well attended and productive of much good, and the congregation increasing and attentive.

St. Matthew's Church, Bedford, Westchester county; the Rev. SAMUEL NICHOLS, late Rector.

On the 29th of August last, I resigned the charge of this parish, of which I have had the pastoral care for more than twenty years.

The Rev. Alfred H. Partridge, who has acted as my assistant, continues to officiate in the parish.

Since my connection with this congregation, 88 persons have been added to the Communion; and 166 received into the Church by baptism. For these results I cannot but express my gratitude to God for his grace, without which nothing is strong and nothing is holy.

The report of the last year is as follows:—

Communicants (added 6, removed 1) 62; Baptisms 7; Marriages 4; Funerals 3.

Collections:—

For Diocesan Fund,	-	-	-	-	\$3 00
Education and Missionary Fund,	-	-	-	-	2 50

St. Paul's Church, East Chester, Westchester county; the Rev. ROBERT BOLTON, Rector.

Baptisms 4; Communicants (added 6) 46; Marriages 3; Sunday Scholars 40; Teachers 5; Funerals (of the parish 18, from New-York 20, from the vicinity 8) 46.

Collections:—

For the Episcopal Fund,	-	-	-	-	\$ 6 50
Diocesan Fund,	-	-	-	-	20 00
					<hr/> \$26 50

The parish continues to give promise of improvement.

Zion Church, Greenburgh, Westchester county; the Rev. WILLIAM CREIGHTON, D. D., Rector.

Baptisms (adult 1, infants 22) 23; Communicants 20; Sunday scholars 62.

Collections for Theological Seminary,	-	-	-	-	\$31 00
“ Missionary Branch of Education and Missionary Society,	-	-	-	-	27 00

In lieu of a collection for the Education Fund, an amount has been subscribed by a few members of the Congregation, sufficient to support a candidate for orders at the Theological Seminary during the present year.

St. Thomas' Church, Mamaroneck, Westchester county; the Rev. WILLIAM A. CURTIS, Rector.

This parish continues slowly but steadily to increase, and also by the blessing of the great Head of the Church is growing more and more united in the faith and in the knowledge and love of the Son of God.

Added to the church by Baptism (adults 2, children 6) 8; Confirmed 11; added to the Communion (removed 2) 13; present number 36; Marriages 2; Burials 5.

Collections:—

Episcopal Fund,	-	-	-	-	\$ 2 00
General Theological Seminary,	-	-	-	-	7 50
Education and Missionary,	-	-	-	-	12 12
Protestant Episcopal Tract Society,	-	-	-	-	7 66
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Besides which, collections have been made for the large Sunday School of the Parish, which continues as heretofore, useful and prosperous.

Christ Church, Rye, Westchester county; the Rev. PETER S. CHAUNCEY, Rector.

Baptisms (adults 5, infants 10) 15; Confirmed 17; Marriages 8; Communicants (added 6, died 3, removed 3) 75; Funerals 16.

Collections :—

For General Theological Seminary,	-	-	\$40 00
Sunday School of Christ Church, Rye,	-	-	11 57
Mission at Collinsville, Illinois,	-	-	20 00
Episcopal Fund,	-	-	4 00
Diocesan Fund,	-	-	5 00
Contribution from a Communicant and Sunday Scholar, to Domestic Missions,	-	-	3 50
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			\$84 07

St. Paul's Church, Sing Sing, Westchester county; the Rev. EDWARD N. MEAD, Rector.

Baptisms (infants 10, adults 2,) total 12; Communicants (added 10, removed 8,) present number 55; Funerals 3; Marriage 1; Sunday School teachers 11; scholars about 130.

Collections :—

General Theological Seminary,	-	-	-	\$30 00
Diocesan Missions,	-	-	-	32 00
Diocesan Education Society,	-	-	-	26 00
Bible and Common Prayer Book Society,	-	-	-	28 00
P. E. Tract Society,	-	-	-	25 00
Diocesan Fund,	-	-	-	6 00
Episcopal Fund,	-	-	-	8 00
Contributed by children of Sunday School to mission of Bishop Polk,	-	-	-	4 25
To mission of Bishop Kemper,	-	-	-	4 25

The Ladies Sewing Society, spoken of in last report, have continued their efforts and have realized upwards of \$200, which will be appropriated to missionary and parochial purposes.

The children continue to receive catechetical instruction every Sunday afternoon at the church.

Christ Church, Tarrytown, Westchester county; the Rev. WILLIAM CRIGHTON, D. D., Rector.

Baptisms (infants) 4; Marriage 1; Communicants 19; Sunday scholars 80.

Collection for Missionary Fund \$17 31. Other canonical collections have been omitted in consequence of the heavy debt incurred by the congregation in the erection of their church.

The ladies, with funds obtained by the sale of needle work, have enclosed the church grounds with a neat and substantial fence.

St. Peter's Church, Westchester, Westchester county; the Rev. WILLIAM POWELL, Rector.

Baptisms (adult 1, infants 6,) 7; Marriages 2; Funerals 5; Communicants about 50; average attendance of Sunday scholars 32.

The following collections have been made :—

For Diocesan Missionary Fund,	-	-	-	\$80 67
Theological Seminary,	-	-	-	32 75
Tract Society,	-	-	-	15 50
Diocesan Fund,	-	-	-	9 75
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				\$118 67

A building has been erected contiguous to the Church, for the accommodation of the horses and carriages of the parishioners, at an expense of \$775.

Grace Church, Whitesplains, Westchester county; the Rev. ROBERT W. HARRIS, Rector.

Baptisms (infants 7, adults 4,) 11; Confirmed 8; Communicants 46; Funerals 5; Sunday School teachers (male 2, female 5) 7; scholars (male 24, females 32) 56.

Collections:—

Missionary and Education,	-	-	-	-	\$31 50
Episcopal Fund,	-	-	-	-	9 50
Diocesan,	-	-	-	-	2 50

Upwards of one thousand dollars have been raised within the parish since Easter last, in order to discharge a debt which had become burdensome.

The children of the parish receive catechetical and pastoral instruction every Lord's Day, as in years past.

MISSIONARY REPORTS.

The following portions of the Reports of Missionaries, are printed by direction of the Bishop:—

From the Report of the Rev. DEODATUS BARCOCK, Missionary at Ballston Spa, and Saratoga Springs, Saratoga county.

Christ Church, Ballston Spa.—Baptisms (adults 2, infants 3) 5; Marriages 10; Funerals 8; Confirmed 17; Communicants (added 11, died 5, removed 3,) present number 80; Sunday scholars 50; Teachers 8.

Contributions:—

To the Education and Missionary Society,	-	-	-	\$42 00
N. Y. Bible and Prayer Book Society,	-	-	-	5 00
Diocesan Fund,	-	-	-	5 00

With the exception of a continual loss by emigration, the affairs of the parish may be said to be in a prosperous condition.

Bethesda Church, Saratoga Springs.—Baptism (adult) 1; Marriages 0; Funerals 2; Confirmed 5; Communicants (added 2, died 1) 18.

Contributions:—

To Education and Missionary Society,	-	-	-	\$20 00
N. Y. Bible and Prayer Book Society,	-	-	-	5 00

The condition of this parish is much the same as when I made my last report, with the exception that the prospect of erecting a more commodious place of public worship is more encouraging.

From the Report of the Rev. WILLIAM BAKER, Missionary at Fairfield and Norway, Herkimer county.

During the past year my ministerial services have been divided between Fairfield, Norway, Middleville, and Newport. I have officiated 14 times at Newport, 18 times at Middleville, 26 times at Norway, and the rest of my time has been devoted to Fairfield.

While we mourn that so few have been added to the communion, we rejoice in the indications of good that we witness. Considering the extent of ground your missionary occupied—the great increase of some of our congregations—the additional hold the Church is gaining on the affections of this community—and the consistent walk and brotherly love exhibited by our members, we have abundant cause to praise God and take courage.

At Fairfield we have a Bible class, a Sunday School, a small Parish Library, and a Sunday School Library.

Fairfield—Baptisms, 1 adult and 3 children.

Communicants at Fairfield and Middleville (removed 2, added 1) 52; Marriages 6; Funerals 6.

At Norway and Newport, Communicants (removed 2, added 1) present number 35; Baptisms 4 children; Funerals 7.

Fifty dollars have been collected to be appropriated as follows:—

Missionary and Education Fund of this Diocese,	-	\$20 00
Foreign Missionary Society, -	-	10 00
Domestic Missionary Society, -	-	10 00
Episcopal Fund, -	-	5 00
Bible and Prayer Book Society for the central part of the State of New-York, -	-	5 00
		<hr/> \$50 00

From the Report of the Rev. ALEXANDER H. CULL, Deacon, Missionary at Malone, Franklin county.

I entered upon the duties of my ministry at this station on the 16th of June last; since which I have visited and preached at the following places, viz. Duane, Moria, Fort Covington, Westville, Constable, and Glen Wood. I have also visited Hogansburgh, St. Regis, and Chateaugay; but did not perform divine service at any of them. I have baptized 14 children, and 3 persons were confirmed at the late visitation of the Bishop. The friends of the Church in this region are warmly attached to her institutions and services; but they labor under a serious inconvenience from the want of a suitable place for public worship. However, it is to be hoped that this impediment will soon be removed, as the wardens and vestry have determined on building a church at Malone, and have opened a subscription for that purpose; but in order to carry their laudable design into effect, they must have recourse to the liberality of the friends of the Church abroad. Malone is the seat of justice for Franklin county, and if the Church could be permanently established there, it would soon extend to every portion of the county.

From the Report of the Rev. HENRY M. DAVIS, Missionary at Kingston, Ulster county.

This station has been under my charge since Trinity Sunday, May 26th.

The parish of St. John's, Kingston, has been contending for years, against a series of obstacles, which checked the increase of its numerical strength, without invigorating it with that spirit of union and activity, which is sometimes the result of external opposition.

An apathetic coldness, therefore, has too generally prevailed; and the burthen of effort has always fallen upon a few. These, however, have the ability, and we trust will not be wanting in the disposition, to bear up under the load, and to sustain the church at all events.

Within the last nine months contributions have been raised, which, with a further loan of \$700 from the Corporation of Trinity Church, New-York, have cleared the church of its heavy debt of \$2250. Thus one great obstacle in the way of its growth has been removed. It is, furthermore, a satisfaction to learn that the loss sustained by removals of families and communicants, during the last year, has been made up by recent accessions, and that the number present at public

worship, though small, is not less than has heretofore attended. The Sunday School, which had become almost extinct has been revived, and is gradually increasing in numbers and interest. It has an average attendance of about 40 members, and a library of 100 volumes.

A Ladies Sewing Society also has been recently put into active operation.

Since my connexion, with the parish, I have baptized (infants) 2; Married 2; and buried (children) 2; Communicants (removed 5, added 9) 30; Baptisms (infants) 5. Collections have been made for the

Sunday School,	-	-	-	\$12 50
Missionary and Education Society,	-	-	-	8 00

In fine, the past history of this parish corroborates the general truth, that the prosperity of a Church will be only progressive, when the Divine Head "pours into the hearts of its members, that most excellent gift of Christian charity," enabling them thereby "to stand fast in one Spirit, with one mind, striving together for the faith of the gospel." The lack of this spirit, we must believe, has kept the church for so long a time stationary. Its gift, alone, will enlarge its bounds, and strengthen its cords.

From the Report of the Rev. PALMER DYER, Missionary at Whitehall, Washington county.

Since the last annual Convention, I have officiated regularly on Sundays in St. Paul's Church, Whitehall, with the exception of two Sundays given to Ticonderoga. Our beautiful church was completed last winter, and consecrated on the 3rd of May. Having unavoidably incurred a debt of about \$3800 in the building of the Church, we are unable, at present, to procure either a bell or an organ.

I have preached nine times in Ticonderoga, twice in Port Henry, once in Moriah, once in Caldwell, once in Glenn's Falls, once in Sandy Hill, and twice in Kingsbury.

In Ticonderoga, Essex county, on the 15th of May last, I organized the "Church of the Cross," of which Jonathan Burnett and L. C. Larrabee are Wardens. This place is now made a missionary station, with a good prospect of being able to erect a church during the next year, and to afford to a clergyman a comfortable maintenance.

In Port Henry, Essex county, there are some friends of the church, who believe that, as there is yet no house of worship in the place, it would not perhaps be a very difficult matter to unite most of the citizens in the work of building an Episcopal church and supporting an Episcopal missionary. The Bishop visited the place in September. The prospect is highly favorable; but to insure success there must be immediate action. A missionary must enter the field while it is yet unoccupied and unappropriated by others.

At Glenn's Falls, also, in Warren county, a missionary is wanted, and might easily build up a church in that flourishing village. It has now become a missionary station.

St. Paul's Church, Whitehall.—Baptisms (infants 15, adult 13) 28; Confirmations 25; Communicants (removed 9, died 1, added 20) 52; Marriages 3; Burials 3.

Contributions :—

For charitable purposes,	-	-	-	\$40 00
Education and Missionary Society,	-	-	-	15 00
General Missionary Society—Domestic department,	-	-	-	7 00
Bible and Prayer book Society,	-	-	-	2 00
Tract Society,	-	-	-	2 00
Sunday School Union,	-	-	-	2 00
General Theological Seminary,	-	-	-	2 00
Episcopal Fund,	-	-	-	2 00
Diocesan "	-	-	-	2 00
For parish purposes, by Female Association,	-	-	-	125 00

\$199 00

Church of the Cross, Ticonderoga.—Baptisms (children 9, adults 16) 25; Confirmations 15; Communicants (added 23) 26.
Total—Baptisms 54; Confirmations 40.

From the Report of the Rev. BENJAMIN EVANS, Missionary at Patterson, Putnam county, and North Salem, Westchester county.

Christ Church, Patterson.—Communicants (removed 2) 14; Marriages 5; Funerals 5.

Collections :—

For Missions in this State, - - - -	\$4 50
Episcopal Fund, - - - -	2 65
Diocesan Fund, - - - -	2 00

The number of scholars and the number of teachers in our Sunday school are about the same as stated in our last report.

St. James' Church, North Salem.—Baptisms (adults) 2; Confirmed 1; Communicants (removed 2) 25; Married 1.

Collections :—

For Missions in this State, - - - -	\$5 00
Episcopal Fund, - - - -	3 12
Diocesan Fund, - - - -	2 25
Bible and Prayer book Society, - - - -	2 34

St. Peter's Church, Pawlingville.—This is the name of a church recently organized, and which will be presented to this Convention. It is organized in a beautiful and thickly-settled part of Dutchess county, and bids fair, with the continuance of God's blessing, to do well. The progress may be slow; because, as may naturally be supposed, coming at this late day, we find the ground abundantly occupied by sects. And, however they may disagree among themselves, they act in harmony against the Church. But, thank God, we find the community in general, willing to hear and judge for themselves; therefore, our congregations are large and attentive. What we have said of this place is also applicable to Patterson. Among the congregations of both places are to be found many persons who, some two or three years since, were entire strangers to the Church, but are now her best friends and most liberal supporters. Although we cannot yet number them among the members of the Church, we are grateful to God for the beginning of good days. And we humbly pray that the good seed so favorably received—may take root, spring up, and abundantly bring forth fruit.

Not far from Patterson are the villages of Carmel, Dover, Beekman, and Pawlingville. To each of these places has your missionary been invited. But according to his present connection, it was impossible for him to comply, excepting the last-named place. To this he has given much of his time and service, and they have resulted, with the blessing of our Heavenly Father, in the organization of a Church. The prospect is equally good in each of the other places.

From the Report of the Rev. EDWARD K. FOWLER, Missionary at Monticello, Sullivan county.

Since my last report I have officiated at Liberty on one Sunday in each month. At Thompsonville on twenty Sunday afternoons. The remainder of my services have been given to Monticello.

Baptisms (adult 1, children 9) 10; Marriages 13; Funeral 1; Communicants (added 9) 50.

Collections :—

For the Missionary Fund, - - - -	\$5 00
For the Education Fund, - - - -	5 00

From the Report of the Rev. ALEXANDER FRAZER, Missionary at large in the city of New-York.

Since my last report, in performing my duties as Missionary at large, I have made upwards of 3000 visits to the sick, the poor, the distressed of almost every

description in this city. I have baptized 23 infants, attended 24 funerals, married 9 couples, distributed nearly 22000 pages of tracts, 54 prayer books, a large number of Bibles in the English, German, French, Spanish, and Italian languages. I have also distributed, principally among the sick poor, the sum of \$359 06, and a large amount of clothing furnished by the friends of the poor.

I have officiated, in this city and neighborhood, on Sundays, 90 times, on week evenings I have lectured 20 times. In the prosecution of his labors during the past year the Missionary has had very much to encourage, as well as to discourage him. While often cast down and dispirited, through the depravity and superstition he has had to encounter, he has also been cheered by the evident blessing of God resting upon his labors, the gratitude with which his visits have been received, the attention given to his exhortations and instructions; and, more especially, the testimony of the sick and dying, of his being made the messenger of good to their souls. The Missionary with great gratitude would acknowledge the very liberal donations of money and clothing which have been furnished him by the benevolent. Through their liberality he has many a time been enabled to relieve the misery which poverty adds to sickness, and cause the widow's heart to sing for joy.

From the Report of the Rev. REUBEN HUBBARD, Missionary at Stillwater and Mechanicsville, Saratoga county.

St. Luke's Church, Mechanicsville, and St. John's Stillwater.—The condition of these parishes has not materially changed since my last report. I have divided my services equally between the two parishes.

St. Luke's.—Baptisms (children) 4; Marriages 2; Communicants (removed 1, added 1) 13; Funerals 1.

Collections:—

Diocesan Fund,	-	-	-	-	-	\$2 97
Missionary Fund,	-	-	-	-	-	7 00
Episcopal Fund,	-	-	-	-	-	1 50

Total, \$11 47

St. John's.—Baptisms (children) 8; Marriages 5; Communicants (removed 4, died 2, added 3) 15; Burials 4.

Collections:—

Diocesan Fund,	-	-	-	-	-	\$ 2 67
Episcopal Fund,	-	-	-	-	-	2 43
Missionary Fund,	-	-	-	-	-	22 43

Total, \$27 53

A venerable lady who has long been one of the chief supporters of this Church, having died, has left in her will 1500 dollars to the Missionary Society of this State, after the decease of a person who now enjoys its income.

For the greater part of last winter and spring I gave services one Sunday evening at Schaghticoke Point, and the next at the School house at Bemis' Heights. At both places the attendance was good, and I trust that a favorable impression was made. I have also held evening service in other places, and trust that God's blessing has attended our endeavors.

From the Report of the Rev. ANDREW HULL, Deacon, Missionary at Oneonta and Otego, Otsego county.

Immanuel Church, Otego.—Having but very recently taken charge of this Church, I am only prepared to report that the congregation is small, somewhat in debt, and entitled to my services every alternate Sunday; the other half of my time being devoted to the purposes of my calling at Oneonta, a village nine miles distant, where a Church will soon be organized, (God willing,) under circumstances at present, quite promising.

From the Report of the Rev. AARON HUMPHREY, Missionary at Waddington, St. Lawrence county.

Through the Divine goodness, I have been enabled to continue my labors as usual, three-fourths of the time in Waddington, and one-fourth in Lisbon, with the exception of a few weeks in August, when I was prevented by a dangerous sickness; from which, however, by the mercy of God, I have in good measure recovered.

The condition of the parish in Waddington is much as when last reported. The Sunday School, however, is not quite as flourishing, owing principally to the want of a greater number of efficient teachers. Since my last report, there have been ten infants baptized; two marriages; and seven funerals. One person has been added to the number of communicants. Fourteen dollars have been contributed to aid the funds of the Education and Missionary Society of this State, and five dollars toward defraying the annual expenses of the General Theological Seminary.

At Lisbon, where services are performed once in four weeks, twenty infants have been baptized, three persons have been added to the number of Communicants, and seven have been confirmed. The congregation here labors under great inconvenience, from having no suitable place for the performance of the services of the Church, and there is little prospect of increase until this difficulty is removed, by the erection of a convenient house of worship; which, from the fewness of numbers, and limitedness of the means of the parishioners, without assistance from abroad, I fear will not take place soon. However, I hope an effort will be made to furnish us with a cheap, but suitable place of worship.

Waddington.—Baptisms 10; Marriages 2; Burials 7; (added to communion 1,) whole number 30.

Collections:—

Education and Missionary Society,	-	-	-	\$14 00
Theological Seminary,	-	-	-	5 00

Lisbon.—Baptisms 20; Confirmed 7; (added to the communion 3) whole number 12.

From the Report of the Rev. HIRAM JELLIFF, Missionary at Lithgow, Dutchess county.

Since the last annual report, I have continued to officiate as in the former year with little variation. The doors of St. Peter's, Lithgow, have been opened on Sunday mornings for Divine Service, which, through the goodness of Providence, I have been enabled to perform on every Lord's day, with the exception of two; one of which was spent in the City, and the other at Pine Plains, a village about twelve miles distant, where I preached to a large and attentive congregation.

Our evening services have been rendered to various places, both within and without the parish. Occasionally, a 5 o'clock service has been held at Pleasant-Valley, where (it is to be hoped) a commodious edifice will be erected the ensuing season, for the benefit of the congregation.

As to Lithgow, there have been some removals, which the congregation has had reason to regret; and more still are contemplated. Were it not for these things, our parish might be well said to be in a prosperous condition.

Baptisms for the year ending on the date of this report, are as follows, viz: (adult 1, infant 1) 2; Confirmations 4; Funerals 5; Marriages 3; Communicants (added new 3, by removal 2, died 1) 23.

Collections for various objects are as follows, viz: for the

Missionary and Education Society,	-	-	-	\$10 00
Bible and Prayer Book,	-	-	-	1 00
Tract, Protestant Episcopal,	-	-	-	3 00
Episcopal Fund,	-	-	-	1 00
Diocesan Fund,	-	-	-	1 75
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From the Report of the Rev. **LOT JONES**, Missionary in charge of the Mission Church of the Epiphany, New-York.

The state of this congregation is in a high degree prosperous. The attendance upon public worship during the last year has been decidedly greater than at any previous period. Entire harmony prevails; and so far as man can judge, the power of religion is exerting a constantly increasing and happy influence.

Baptisms (adults 8, infants 70) 78; Marriages 22; Funerals 54; Communicants (added 51, died 12, removed 36) present number 294. The condition of the Sunday and Daily Infant School is materially the same as stated in previous reports.

From the Report of the Rev. **JOHN KNILL**, Missionary at Port Jackson, Montgomery county, and West Charlton, Saratoga county.

The present state of both my parishes of St. Ann's, Port Jackson, and St. Mary's, West Charlton, is much the same as described in my last report.

Baptisms (adult 1, infants 10) total 11; Communicants (added 1, died 1) 9; Marriages 4; Funerals 4.

Contributions have been omitted, for the same reasons as were stated in my last.

From the Report of the Rev. **TIMOTHY MINOR**, late Missionary at Cherry Valley and Westford, Otsego county.

Since my last report, I continued my missionary labors at Cherry Valley and Westford, dividing my time equally between these two parishes, until July last, when I resigned my charge at Cherry Valley; and in its stead, I have devoted a portion of my time to the performance of the services of the Church, and preaching in several of the adjoining towns in this and in Herkimer county; but continued my regular services in Westford as heretofore, where I am happy to say the growth of the Church appears to be gradually increasing, as was also that of Cherry Valley while the services were continued there.

Baptisms at Cherry Valley (children) 10; Marriage 1; Confirmed 17; Communicants (removed 1) 6; Baptisms at Westford (adult 1, children 3) 4; Confirmed 15; Communicants 12; Members of the congregation about 70.

In Cherry Valley, a Sunday School Society, auxiliary to the Protestant Episcopal Sunday School Union, has been organized, and a Sunday School established under its direction, of eight teachers and about thirty-five scholars.

From the Report of the Rev. **JESSE POUND**, Missionary in charge of the Mission Church of the Holy Evangelists, New-York.

The present missionary, who entered upon the duties of this station on the first of November, 1838, is happy to report the peace and prosperity which have attended his labors. The congregation has much increased in numbers; and so far as deep seriousness and devout attention to all the ordinances can be regarded as evidences of growth in grace, your missionary has much to encourage him.

During the past year, 32 have been added to the Communion; 4 have removed, and 2 have died; present number, 240. There have been 30 Baptisms, 8 Marriages, and 6 Funerals.

The Daily Infant and Sunday Schools continue to exert their salutary influence, and are in successful operation; having 7 male and 16 female teachers, and upwards of 300 scholars. During the past winter, \$281 20, besides the communion collections, and some clothing, was disbursed to the poor. All the poor children in the schools were supplied with shoes and clothing; and in many other ways, much has been done by the teachers and others, for their temporal and eternal benefit.

From the Report of the Rev. LUCIUS M. PURDY, Missionary at Hampton, Washington county.

Christ Church, Hampton.—Baptisms (infants 5, adults 2) 7; Confirmed 6; Marriages 2; Burials 3; Communicants (died 1, removed 4, added 7) present number 41; Sunday School, about 30 scholars.

Missionary offering, - - - \$4 00

The Rev. Moore Bingham relinquished the charge of this mission soon after Easter, and the present incumbent commenced his labors here on Whitsunday. The parish has suffered from deaths and removals, yet a faithful few remain who are devoutly attached to "the Church of the living God."

From the Report of the Rev. ROBERT SHAW, Missionary at Marlborough, Ulster county.

Confirmations 5; Communicants (added 1,) 10; Marriage 1; Burials 2.

Collections :—

Diocesan Missionary Fund,	-	-	-	\$3 64
N. Y. Bible and Prayer-book Society,	-	-	-	1 54
Diocesan Fund,	-	-	-	2 00

The vestry of Christ Church, Marlborough, last winter determined to provide themselves with a place of worship where the congregation might assemble without being subject to the dictation of others, as was then and had been previously the case. To carry this resolution into effect, with their limited means, they thought best to unite with some other parish. An arrangement was accordingly made with the parish of Trinity Church, Fishkill, to have me officiate there one half of the time for the present year. Though this arrangement has increased my labors, and subjected me often to great inconvenience, it has enabled the congregation to carry out their plan of building a house of prayer. A small, but neat and convenient church has been erected, which will doubtless tend to give permanency to the parish, and also, it is hoped, will be the means of increasing, in all who may enjoy the privileges of the same, the faith and fear of God.

Respecting his temporary supply of Trinity Church, Fishkill, Dutchess county, the missionary reports as follows :—

Since the 1st of February my time has been equally divided between this parish and the missionary station at Marlborough, Ulster county.

Baptisms (infants) 2; Communicants (added 3, died 1) 21; Burials 2.

Collections :—

For Diocesan Missionary Fund,	-	-	-	\$1 55
Diocesan Fund,	-	-	-	3 12

The condition of the parish is believed to be not essentially different in any respect, from what it was when last reported.

From the Report of the Rev. ISAAC SHERWOOD, Missionary at Cold Spring Harbor, Queen's county, and Huntington, Suffolk county.

At Cold Spring Harbor, no material changes have taken place during the past year. Divine service as heretofore is generally well attended, and the effects of the sacred ministrations of the Church are visibly seen in a growing interest and attachment for this divine apostolic institution. The friends and patrons of this rising parish have much cause to rejoice in the result of their pious liberality.

Baptisms 12; Marriages 3; Funerals 5; whole number of Communicants at this station 26.

Collections :—

Episcopal,	-	-	-	-	-	\$3 00
Missionary,	-	-	-	-	-	3 50
Diocesan,	-	-	-	-	-	3 00
Education,	-	-	-	-	-	3 00

At Huntington.—By the very great exertions of a few liberal individuals, lately removed into this place, among whom stand pre-eminent John B. Rhinelanders,

M. D., and Capt. Wm. C. Stout, the ancient Church of this village, after a long season of temporal and spiritual desolation, has been repaired, and during the last 18 months regularly opened for the celebration of divine worship. And when the number of other places of public worship in this place is considered, the attendance at Church has exceeded all expectation. On the 9th day of July last, the Church was consecrated by the Bishop, and there are now regularly connected with the parish 18 families.

Baptisms 4; Marriage 1.

Collections:

Missionary,	-	-	-	-	-	\$1 50
Diocesan,	-	-	-	-	-	1 00

From the Report of the Rev. ORSAMUS H. SMITH, Missionary at Rensselaerville, Albany county.

By God's blessing, I have been enabled to perform the duties of this station during the year, without material interruption. Among our people, however, the doings of death have been of a very afflictive character. Several prominent members of the Church have been called to their rest. It is hoped, that these dispensations of Providence, have not been entirely without effect on the minds of the living; though I could devoutly wish to see our portion of the Gospel field more fruitful.

As to the temporalities, and benevolent operations of the parish, I cannot help thinking that we shall be considered as having made some improvement. Besides the considerable sum which has been subscribed for fencing the Church grounds, and repairing the Church edifice, a plan of quarterly subscription for education and missionary purposes, embracing every baptized member of the Church, and others of the congregation, has been put in operation, and is likely to be very useful.

For the statistics of the parish, reference is made to the report of the Rev. Mr. Fuller.*

From the Report of the Rev. CYRUS STEBBINS, D. D., Missionary at Waterford, Saratoga county, and Cohoes, Albany county.

Grace Church, Waterford.—Marriages 5; Baptisms 2; Communicants (removed 4, died 1, added 1) present number 36; Funerals 5.

Collections:—

For Education and Missionary Society, Missionary Branch,	\$12 00
Diocesan Fund,	2 00
Sunday School—as heretofore.	

St. John's Church, Cohoes.—Marriage 1; Baptisms (adult 1, children 11) 12; Communicants (removed 1, added 5) present number 15.

Collections for Missionary purposes only—amount not known.

Services have been performed in general, three times on Sunday.

From the Report of the Rev. JAMES THOMPSON, Missionary at Durham, Greene county.

I continued my services at Green Ville, till the cold weather commenced in November, when I concluded it was not prudent for a man of my years to continue my services any longer, and the Rev. Mr. Scovill had taken the charge of the congregation. My services have been continued at Oakhill the year past one half of the time till Whitsunday, when the Rev. Mr. Scovill resigned his office as Assistant Minister of St. Paul's Church, Oakhill. Since that time I have performed Divine Service every Sunday at Oakhill. I feel it my duty to preach as long as I have my health and strength. The congregation remains the same at Oakhill as

* * See Parochial Report of Trinity Church, Rensselaerville, of which the Rev. Samuel Fuller, though deprived by the infirmities of age, of ability to perform much pastoral duty, is still the Rector.

it was last year, and the communicants the same. I have performed one marriage, and attended two funerals.

Collections are made for the Education and Missionary Society.

From the Report of the Rev. THOMAS TOWELL, late Missionary at Little Falls, Herkimer county.

Your Missionary, since his last report, although suffering from a general debility of constitution, has yet cause for thankfulness to the great Head of the Church for the success which has attended his labors. During the winter your missionary performed the regular services at Little Falls, giving a third service in Herkimer once a month. Perceiving, however, that a spirit was beginning, favorable to our holy and devout Liturgy in the latter place, and that to keep it alive required more services, your missionary engaged the Rev. W. Withington, to assist him in his school, as well as in his ministerial duties. For the space of fifteen weeks the services were performed in Herkimer every second Sunday. After the expiration of this time, the Rev. Mr. Withington left, when the whole charge devolved again upon your missionary. Although the course was deemed to be an imprudent one, yet he alone performed the services in both places, holding a third service, until a very perceptible decline of health cautioned him to relinquish altogether. At the suggestion of his much attached and ever to be remembered people at the Falls, he resigned, pro tem, all the responsibilities of his duties, taking, however, occasionally a part in the services, which were conducted by the Rev. Thomas Pitkin. Finding, however, no great alteration for the better in his health, your missionary, with deep regret, found it necessary to resign, and take charge of another parish more south.

The congregation in Little Falls is in a prosperous condition, and although the funds are weak, yet no people deserve more praise for piety, and an unwearied spirit for the prosperity of the Church than they.

The edifice in Herkimer, the corner-stone of which was laid this year, is now raising, and will be finished probably this fall.

The state of the congregation at present stands thus :

Baptisms (children 2, infants 5) 7; Marriages 6; Deaths 4; Communicants (added 6, removed 5) present number 33. Confirmations (at the Falls 1, at Herkimer 1) 2.

Collections :—

Education and Missionary Society,	-	-	-	\$12 50
Prayer Book Society,	-	-	-	3 00

From the Report of the Rev. ALVI T. TWING, Missionary at West Troy, Albany county.

Baptisms (adults 3, children 11) 14; Marriages 0; Funerals 0; Communicants (added 12, removed 4,) 19; Sunday School (scholars 25, teachers 3,) 28.

The congregation has been gradually increasing during the last year, and is now in all respects, in a better condition than it has been at any previous time.

The Bishop has also received reports, according to the Canon, from the following clergymen of the Diocese, not having parochial or missionary charge therein:—

The Rev. William S. Bartlet, Deacon.

The Rev. David Butler, D. D., residing in Troy.

The Rev. John M. Garfield, principal of the Albany Female Seminary.

The Rev. David Griffith.

The Rev. Moses Marcus, Missionary of the Board of Missions of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, at Nantucket, Massachusetts.

The Rev. John M'Vickar, D. D., Professor of Moral and Intellectual Philosophy and Political Economy, in Columbia College, New-York.

The Rev. John F. Messenger, Teacher in Brooklyn.

The Rev. John D. Ogilby, Professor of the Greek and Latin languages, in Rutgers College, New Brunswick, New Jersey.

The Rev. Benjamin O. Peers, Editor of the General Protestant Episcopal Sunday School Union, New-York.

The Rev. Washington Philo, Deacon, Missionary of the Board of Missions of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, at Madison, Wisconsin.

The Rev. Samuel Phinney, Principal of the Orange county Institution, Newburgh, Orange county.

The Rev. Thomas C. Reed, Professor of Political Economy in Union College, Schenectady.

The Rev. George Sayres, Deacon.

The Rev. Gilbert H. Sayres, residing in Jamaica, Queen's county.

The Rev. John F. Schroeder, D. D., Rector of St. Ann's Hall, Flushing, Queen's county.

The Rev. Isaac Swart, officiating in Albany.

The Rev. John A. Vaughan, D.D., Secretary and General Agent of the Foreign Committee of the Board of Missions of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, New-York.

The Rev. William R. Whittingham, D.D., St. Mark's Church, in the Bowery, Professor of Ecclesiastical History in the General Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, New-York.

The Rev. William Withington, Deacon.

APPENDIX.

NO. II.

THE SECOND EVENING PRAYER,

Appointed agreeably to the Canons, to be used in any congregation of this Diocese in which the order for Daily Evening Prayer has been previously used on the same day, is as follows :

The order for Daily Evening Prayer is followed to the end of the Psalms for the day, or selection of Psalms, and Doxology ; and then the following order :—

A Lesson from the Old or New Testament, at the discretion of the Minister.

Either of the four Psalms appointed to follow the Lessons at Evening Prayer.

The Creed and the following Versicles and Responses.

The Collect for the Day.

The Collect for aid against Perils.

The Prayer for the whole State of CHRIST'S Church Militant in the Communion Service.

Any of the Occasional Prayers or Thanksgivings as occasion may require.

One of the Discretionary Prayers at the end of the Communion Service.

2 Corinthians, xiii. 14.

APPENDIX.

NO. III.

PROCEEDINGS

NECESSARY TO THE ORGANIZATION OF NEW CHURCHES.

Reported by a Committee of the Convention in 1827.

By the Act to provide for the Incorporation of Religious Societies, passed 5th April, 1813, and the Act amending the same passed 5th March, 1819, it is competent for the male persons of full age, belonging to any church, congregation, or religious society, to incorporate themselves, although such persons may not have belonged to the church, congregation, or society, for the last twelve months; in which last respect the latter Act is an amendment of the former.

The first step to be taken in order to an incorporation, is to give notice at morning service, on the two Sundays previous to the time which may be appointed for the election of Churchwardens and Vestrymen, of the intended election; which notice is to be given by the Rector, or if there be none, by any other person belonging to the congregation.

The congregation having met at the time and place appointed, the Rector, or if there be none, or he be necessarily absent, then such other person as may be called to the chair, shall preside at this first election; and two other persons should be nominated, to certify, with him, the proceedings of the meeting.

The meeting is then, by a majority of voices, to elect two Churchwardens and eight Vestrymen, and to determine on what day in Easter-week the functions of the persons then elected shall cease, and their successors shall be afterwards annually chosen; together with the corporate name or title by which the church is to be known.

A certificate is then to be signed, under the hand and seal of the Rector, or other person who shall preside at the election, and of two other persons nominated for that purpose, stating the names of the persons elected to the offices of Churchwardens and Vestrymen, and also the day in Easter-week appointed for the annual elections, and the corporate name or title of the church.

This certificate is to be acknowledged by the persons signing it, or proved by one or more of the subscribing witnesses, before the Chancellor, or one of the Judges of the Supreme Court, or one of the

Judges of the Court of Common Pleas of the county where the church or congregation is established. It is then to be recorded in the County Clerk's office, in a book to be by him provided for the purpose.

It may be proper to add, that the qualifications to vote for Churchwardens and Vestrymen, required by the first section of the Act of 1813, will be requisite at all annual elections after the first; that is, at such subsequent elections the voters must have belonged to the congregation for the preceding twelve months, and must have been baptized in the Protestant Episcopal Church, or must have been received therein by the rite of Confirmation, or by receiving the holy Communion, or by purchasing or hiring a pew or seat in the church, or by some joint act of the parties and of the Rector, whereby they shall have attached themselves to the Protestant Episcopal Church.

A form of the certificate of incorporation, and of the proof of its execution, is hereunto subjoined.

TO ALL WHOM THESE PRESENTS MAY CONCERN: *We whose names and seals are hereunto affixed do certify, that in pursuance of notice duly given, according to law, for that purpose, at the time of Divine service, on the two Sunday mornings now last past, the male persons of full age belonging to the Church, Congregation, or Society, commonly called* _____ *Church, in the* _____ *of** _____ *; in which Church, Congregation, or Society, Divine Service is celebrated according to the rules of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of New-York; met at their place of worship in* _____ *, for the purpose of incorporating themselves under the Act entitled "An Act to Provide for the Incorporation of Religious Societies," and the Act to amend the same. At which meeting, and by a majority of voices, the undersigned* _____ *being Rector of the said Church,† was called to the chair and presided, and the undersigned* _____ *were nominated to certify the proceedings of said meeting, in conjunction with said Rector,‡ and by a majority of voices,* _____ *were elected Churchwardens,* _____ *and* _____ *were elected Vestrymen, of said Church; and* _____ *, in the week called Easter-week, was, in like manner, fixed on as the day on which the said offices of Churchwardens and Vestrymen shall annually there-*

* Instead of the words "commonly called," &c., may be inserted the words *worshipping in*, [here name the town, village, street, building, or other particular designation.]

† The words "being Rector of the said Church," are to be omitted when the Rector does not preside at the meeting, and in place of them the name of the Chairman is to be inserted.

‡ When the Rector does not preside at the meeting, here omit the word "Rector," and insert the name of the Chairman.

after cease, and their successors in office be chosen ; and the name or title of " The Rector, Churchwardens, and Vestrymen of Church, in the of , " was in like manner fixed on and agreed to, as that by which the said Church, Congregation, or Society, shall be known in law. In testimony whereof, we, the said , together with the undersigned , have hereunto subscribed our names, and affixed our seals, this day of , in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and

Signed and sealed in the presence of

On the day of , in the year of our Lord , before me , of the Court of Common Pleas for the county of , personally appeared one of the subscribing witnesses to the above instrument, to me personally known, who being by me duly sworn, did depose and say, that he resides at , that he knew , the persons described in, and whose names and seals are affixed to the foregoing instrument, and saw them execute the same ; that they acknowledged to him that they executed the same, and that he, the said , in their presence and at their request, did, together with , subscribe their names as witnesses thereto.

A P P E N D I X .

No. IV.

DIRECTIONS

For persons desirous to become Candidates for Holy Orders, and for those desiring Ordination as Deacons and Priests.

DIRECTIONS FOR THOSE WISHING TO BECOME CANDIDATES FOR HOLY ORDERS.

Can. IV.—Sect. 1. Gen. Conv. 1838. A person wishing to become a candidate for Holy Orders must, in the first instance, give notice of his intention to the Bishop, or if there be no Bishop, to the ecclesiastical authority, or to the President of the Standing Committee of the Diocese.

Sect. 2. He is then to apply to the Standing Committee for their recommendation of him to the Bishop, to be admitted as a candidate for Orders. To enable the Committee to act, he must lay before them,—I. Evidence of his having made his intention known to the Bishop. II. A certificate to the following effect, unless the Standing Committee can certify the same facts of their own knowledge:—

“To the Standing Committee of the Diocese of New-York.

(Date.)

“We, the subscribers, from a satisfactory knowledge of the character of A. B., do hereby testify our belief that he is pious, sober, and honest; that he is attached to the doctrines, discipline, and worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church, and a communicant of the same; and in our opinion, possesses such qualifications as will render him apt and meet to exercise the ministry to the glory of God and edifying of the Church.”

✍ The above certificate should be signed by one presbyter, and at least four respectable laymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

It is not absolutely essential that the signers of the above should have a personal acquaintance with the applicant; but they may act upon such knowledge of his character from other sources as is satisfactory to them.

III. (*Sec. 3.*) A satisfactory diploma; or a certificate from the instructor or instructors of some approved literary institution, which certificate must state what have been his studies, and the extent of

his improvement in them; or a certificate from two presbyters, appointed by the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese to examine him of his possessing such academical learning as may enable him to enter advantageously on a course of Theology.—Or, (*Sec. 4.*) when the person applying to be admitted a candidate, wishes the knowledge of the Latin and Greek languages, and other branches of learning not strictly ecclesiastical, to be dispensed with, he must, instead of the above-mentioned diploma or certificate, lay before the Standing Committee a testimonial, signed by at least two presbyters of the Church, stating, that in their opinion he possesses extraordinary strength of natural understanding, a peculiar aptitude to teach, and a large share of prudence; with proper evidence that the Bishop, with the consent of the Standing Committee, has granted such dispensation. The Canons provide that this dispensation shall not be granted to any person under 27 years of age, and that no person shall be ordained under such a dispensation until he shall have attained 30 years of age; but as to the Hebrew language, the power of dispensation rests with the Bishop alone, without reference to the age of the candidate. The Standing Committee may then sign a testimonial in behalf of the candidate, which he must produce to the Bishop, who (*Sec. 5.*) may thereon admit him as a candidate for Orders: in which station he must remain three years before his ordination, unless the Bishop, with the consent of the Standing Committee, shall deem it expedient to ordain him after the expiration of a shorter period, not less than one year.*

DIRECTIONS FOR CANDIDATES FOR HOLY ORDERS WISHING TO BE
ORDAINED DEACONS.

Canon XV.—(Sec. 2.) Gen. Conr. 1832. A candidate for Holy

* The Canon contains also the following provisions, which, however, have no relation to the testimonials. (*Sec. 5.*) With this enumeration of qualifications, it ought to be made known to the candidate, that the Church expects of him—what can never be brought to the test of any outward standard—an inward fear and worship of ALMIGHTY GOD; a love of religion, and sensibility to its holy influence: a habit of devout affection: and in short, a cultivation of all those graces which are called in Scripture the fruits of the Spirit, and by which alone His sacred influence can be manifested.

(*Sec. 9.*) If a candidate shall not, within three years after his admission, apply for his first and second examinations, or within five years for his third and fourth examinations, except for causes seeming good to the Bishop, he shall in either case cease to be a candidate.

(*Sec. 10.*) Any person desirous to become a candidate for Holy Orders, must apply to the Bishop or ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese in which he resides, unless they shall consent that the application be made in some other Diocese.

Candidates are not to change their canonical residence but for bona fide causes requiring the same, and to be judged of by the Bishop or ecclesiastical authority.

Orders wishing to be ordained a Deacon, must lay before the Standing Committee a testimonial in the following words:—

“ To the Standing Committee of the Diocese of New-York.

“ We, whose names are hereunder written, do testify from evidence satisfactory to us, that A. B., for the space of three years last past, hath lived piously, soberly, and honestly; and hath not, so far as we know or believe, written, taught, or held any thing contrary to the doctrine or discipline of the Protestant Episcopal Church; and moreover, we think him a person worthy to be admitted to the sacred order of Deacons. In witness whereof, we have hereunto set our hands, this —— day of ——, in the year of our Lord ——.”

The above certificate is to be subscribed by the minister and vestry of the parish where the candidate resides, or by the vestry alone if the parish be vacant, (of which circumstance the Committee must be duly certified,) and must contain the names of at least a majority of all the wardens, and vestrymen. The respective titles of the minister, wardens and vestrymen must be attached to their signatures. If there be no vestry where the candidate resides, the circumstance must be certified to the Committee, and then the testimonial must be signed by at least twelve respectable persons of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

It is not absolutely essential that the signers of this testimonial should be personally acquainted with the candidate; they may act upon a satisfactory knowledge of his character from any other source.

The candidate must also lay before the Standing Committee a certificate in the following words:—

“ To the Standing Committee of the Diocese of New-York.

“ I do hereby testify that A. B., for the space of three years last past, hath lived piously, soberly, and honestly; and hath not, so far as I know or believe, written, taught, or held, any thing contrary to the doctrine or discipline of the Protestant Episcopal Church; and moreover, I think him a person worthy to be admitted to the sacred order of Deacons. This testimonial is founded on my personal knowledge of the said A. B., for one year last past, and for the residue of the said time upon evidence that is satisfactory to me. In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand, this —— day of ——, in the year of our Lord ——.”

The above testimonial must be signed by at least one respectable presbyter of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States. The Standing Committee may then sign the canonical recommendation to the Bishop for Orders; which the candidate is to exhibit to the Bishop.

DIRECTIONS FOR DEACONS WISHING TO BE ORDERED PRIESTS.

A Deacon wishing to be ordered a Priest, must lay before the Standing Committee the same testimonials, subscribed in the same way, as those required of him on his application for ordination as a Deacon ; except (*Sec. 5.*) that they may be so altered as to extend to such portion only of the three years preceding his application for Priest's Orders as has elapsed since his ordination as Deacon ; and except, also, that if he be the minister of the parish, the testimonial of piety, good morals, and orderly conduct, shall be signed by the vestry alone. The Standing Committee may then give him the canonical recommendation for Orders, which he is to exhibit to the Bishop.

No person shall be ordained Priest, unless he shall produce to the Bishop a satisfactory certificate, from some church, parish, or congregation, that he is engaged with them, and that they will receive him as their minister ; or unless he be a missionary under the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese to which he belongs ; or in the employment of some missionary society recognized by the General Convention ; or unless he be engaged as a professor, tutor, or instructor of youth, in some college, academy, or other seminary of learning duly incorporated.*

Candidates for ordination as Priests or Deacons, are referred to the following further provisions :—

Canon XV. 1832.—(*Sec. 3.*) If the candidate, from peculiar circumstances, not affecting his pious or moral character, shall be unable to procure testimonials from the ministry and vestry of the parish where he resides, testimonials to the effect required may be received from at least twelve respectable members of the Protestant Episcopal Church, and from at least one respectable presbyter who has been personally acquainted with the candidate for at least one year.

(*Sec. 4.*) A candidate recommended by the Standing Committee of any church destitute of a Bishop, if he shall have resided for the greater part of the last three years within the Diocese of a Bishop, shall apply to such Bishop for ordination, and shall produce the usual testimonials, as well from the Standing Committee of the Diocese in which he has resided, as from the Committee of the Church in the Diocese for which he is to be ordained.

* For the case of one who has officiated as a minister, or been a licentiate, or student of theology, of another denomination, see Canon VII. of the General Convention of 1838.

APPENDIX.

No. V.

RULES OF ORDER.

I. At the opening of each Annual Convention, when the President shall have taken the chair, the Secretary shall call over the names of the clergy entitled to seats. The Lay Delegates shall then place their certificates on the Secretary's table; and whenever a constitutional quorum shall be found present, the President shall declare the Convention duly organized.

II. The first business shall be

The election of a Secretary, who shall have power to appoint an Assistant Secretary.

The appointment of four Standing Committees by the President—

1. On the Incorporation of Churches, one Clergyman and two Laymen.

2. On the Diocesan Fund, two Clergymen and two Laymen, with the Treasurer.

3. On the Treasurer's Report, three Laymen.

4. On the Theological Seminary, two Clergymen and three Laymen.

III. The daily order of proceedings, after the first day, shall be—

1. The Daily Morning Prayer.

2. Reading and approval of the Minutes.

3. Calling the names of absent members.

4. Reports to be called for in the following order:

Committee on Incorporation of Churches.

“ “ Diocesan Fund.

“ “ Treasurer's Report.

“ “ General Theological Seminary.

Trustees of Episcopal Fund.

Special Committees.

New-York City Mission Society.

New-York Education and Missionary Society.

5. Miscellaneous Business.

IV. The Bishop's Address shall be at any time in order.

V. When the Report of a Committee is presented, it shall be read, and entered on the minutes, unless otherwise determined by the house. If accompanied with resolutions, the resolutions shall be separately considered.

VI. When a question is before the house, it shall be in order to postpone, divide, amend, or commit; and a motion for any one of these proceedings may be considered, precedence being taken in the order named.

VII. The votes by order, when called, shall be entered on the minutes; and they may be called, whenever desired by five members.

VIII. Before the rising of the Convention, the minutes of the last day's proceedings shall be read and approved.

IX. The election of the Standing Committee and the Delegates to the General Convention, shall be the first business after the approval of the minutes, on the second day of meeting. Suitable boxes for balloting shall be provided by the Secretary.

X. On all questions of order, the President shall decide, subject to an appeal to the house.

XI. The hours of each day's session shall be from 9, A. M., until 3, P. M.

XII. No member may speak more than twice on the same question, without leave of the house.

XIII. A question being decided shall not be reconsidered during the same session, without the consent of two-thirds of the members present.

XIV. The question of adjournment shall always be in order, and shall be put without debate.

XV. All Special Committees shall be appointed by the Chair.

XVI. Clergymen belonging to this Diocese, but not entitled to seats in this Convention, clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church not belonging to this Diocese, and Professors and Students of Theology in the Protestant Episcopal Church, shall be admitted to the sittings of the Convention.

APPENDIX.

NO. VI.

LIST OF CHURCHES IN THE DIOCESE OF NEW-YORK

Albany county,	Albany,	St. Paul's.
		St. Peter's.
	Cohoes,	St. John's.
	Rensselaerville,	Trinity.
	West Troy,	Trinity.
Clinton county,	Plattsburgh,	Trinity.
Columbia county,	Hudson,	Christ.
Delaware county,	Delhi,	St. John's.
	Hobart,	St. Peter's.
	Walton,	Christ.
Dutchess county,	Fishkill,	Trinity.
	Fishkill Landing,	St. Anna's.
	Hyde Park,	St. James'.
	Lithgow,	St. Peter's.
	Pawlingville,	St. Peter's.
	Pleasant Valley,	St. Paul's.
	Poughkeepsie,	Christ.
		St. Paul's.
	Upper Red Hook,	St. Paul's.
	Wappinger's Creek,	Zion.
Franklin county,	Malone,	St. Mark's.
Fulton county,	Johnstown,	St. John's.
Greene county,	Athens,	Trinity.
	Cairo,	Calvary.
	Catskill,	St. Luke's.
	Greenville,	Christ.
	Oak Hill,	St. Paul's.
	Windham,	Trinity.
Herkimer county,	Fairfield,	Trinity.
	Little Falls,	Emmanuel.
	Mohawk,	St. Luke's.
	Norway,	Grace.
King's county,	Brooklyn,	Christ.
		St. Ann's.
		St. John's.
		St. Mary's.
		St. Paul's.
		St. Peter's, (colorado)
		Trinity.
	Flatbush,	St. Paul's.

King's county,	Fort Hamilton,	St. John's.
	Williamsburgh,	St. Mark's.
Montgomery county,	Fonda,	St. Stephen's.
	Port Jackson,	St. Ann's.
New-York City and county,		All Saints'.
		Annunciation.
		Ascension.
		Calvary.
		Christ.
		Epiphany, (Mission.)
		Grace.
		Holy Evangelists, (M)
		Messiah.
		Nativity.
		St. Andrew's.
		St. Bartholomew's.
		St. Clement's.
		St. Esprit.
		St. George's.
		St. James'.
		St. Luke's.
		St. Mark's.
		St. Mary's.
		St. Michael's.
		St. Peter's.
		St. Philip's, (colored.)
		St. Stephen's.
		St. Thomas'.
		St. Timothy's.
		Trinity, with St. Paul's and St. John's Chapels.
Orange county,	Goshen,	Zion.
	Newburgh,	St. James'.
	New Windsor,	St. George's.
	Walden,	St. Thomas'.
Otsego county,	Cherry Valley,	St. Andrew's.
	Cooperstown,	Trinity.
	Exeter,	Christ.
	Gilbertsville,	St. John's.
	Louisville,	Christ.
	Monticello,	Zion.
	Otego.	St. Luke's.
	Unadilla,	Immanuel.
	Westford,	St. Matthew's.
Putnam county,	Patterson,	St. Timothy's.
	Phillipstown,	Christ.
		St. Philip's.

Queen's county,	Astoria,	St. George's.
	Cold Spring Harbor,	St. John's.
	Flushing,	St. George's.
	Glen Cove,	St. Paul's.
	Hempstead,	St. George's, with Trin
		ty Chapel, Rockawa
	Hempstead Harbor,	St. Mary's.
	Jamaica,	Grace.
	Little Neck,	Zion.
	Manhasset,	Christ.
Rensselaer county,	Newtown,	St. James'.
	Oyster Bay,	Christ.
	Ravenswood,	St. Thomas'.
	Lausburgh,	Trinity.
	Troy,	Christ.
		St. John's.
Richmond county,	Richmond,	St. Paul's.
		St. Andrew's with
		Trinity Chapel,
		Factoryville.
Saratoga county,	Tompkinsville,	St. Paul's.
	Ballston Spa,	Christ.
	Charlton,	St. Paul's.
	Mechanicsville,	St. Luke's.
	Milton,	St. James'.
	Saratoga Springs,	Bethesda.
	Stillwater,	St. John's.
	Waterford,	Grace.
Schenectady county,	West Charlton,	St. Mary's.
	Duanesburgh,	Christ.
	Schenectady,	St. George's.
St. Lawrence county,	Canton,	Grace.
	Morristown,	Christ.
	Ogdensburgh,	St. John's.
	Potsdam,	Trinity.
	Waddington,	St. Paul's.
Suffolk county,	Huntington,	St. John's.
	Islip,	St. John's.
	Setauket,	Caroline.
Sullivan county,	Monticello,	St. John's.
Ulster county,	Kingston,	St. John's.
	Marlborough,	Christ.
Washington county,	Ulster,	Trinity.
	Granville,	Trinity.
	Hampton,	Christ.
	Sandy Hill,	Zion.
	Whitehall,	St. Paul's.
Westchester county,	Bedford,	St. Matthew's.

Westchester county,	Eastchester,	St. Paul's.
	Greenburgh,	Zion.
	Mamaroneck,	St. Thomas'.
	New Rochelle,	Trinity.
	North Salem,	St. James'.
	Peekskill,	St. Peter's.
	Rye,	Christ.
	Sing Sing,	St. Paul's.
	Somers,	St. Luke's.
	Tarry Town,	Christ.
	Westchester,	St. Peter's.
	Whiteplains,	Grace.
	Yonkers,	St. John's with a Chapel at Tucknhoë.
		Total 149.

APPENDIX.

NO. VII.

CHURCHES ADMITTED INTO UNION AT THIS CONVENTION.

Dutchess county,	Pawlingsville,	St. Peter's.
Otsego county,	Westford,	St. Timothy's.
Queen's county,	Ravenswood,	St. Thomas'.
Westchester county,	Somers,	St. Luke's.—4.

APPENDIX

NO. VIII.

Bishop Onderdonk requests that the Parochial and Missionary Reports be drawn up according to the following plan :—

Baptised, Adults —
Children —
Total —

Confirmed — [*In this number should be included all belonging to the parish, whether confirmed therein or elsewhere, and not those of other parishes who may have resorted thither for confirmation.*]

Marriages —

Funerals —

Communicants. Added as new Communicants —
 Removed into the parish —
 Removed from the parish —
 Died —
 Present number —

Catechumens — [*Under this head, let there be included, distinguished as occasion requires, all the children and others of the parish who are under a course of instruction in the Church Catechism ; members of other classes for religious instruction ; and Sunday scholars.*]

Contributions. The Education Fund of the Education and Missionary Society of the Diocese —
 The Missionary Fund of the Education and Missionary Society of the Diocese —
 The Episcopal Fund —
 The Diocesan Fund —

[*Contributions to the above-mentioned four objects are required by the Canons to be made annually by every congregation. The following are also hereby earnestly recommended :—*]

The New-York Bible and Common Prayer Book Society —
 The Protestant Episcopal Tract Society, New-York —
 The General Theological Seminary —
 The General Protestant Episcopal Sunday School Union —
 The Board of Missions of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States —

[*Distinguishing, as occasion requires, between Domestic and Foreign Missions,*]

In the City of New-York, The City Mission Society —
 Other objects connected with the Church —

[*Distinguishing as occasion requires.*]

Remarks. [*Under this head, let there be included, according to the Canon, all matters, other than those above specified, which may throw light on the state of the Parish ; especially, The number of times divine service has been celebrated on Sundays, on Holy days, and on other days ;—The number of times the Holy Communion is administered ;—The frequency with which children have been instructed or examined in the Church catechism by the minister, openly in the Church ;—and, The number of Catechists who aid the pastor in Sunday school or other catechetical instruction.*]

APPENDIX.

No. IX.

Having been frequently requested by many of my Reverend Brethren of the Diocese, to state publicly the views which I have privately expressed on the subject of the Clergy appearing, at the opening of Convention, in their official robes, I take this opportunity of doing so.

It is a generally conceded point in the Christian Church, strictly accordant with reason, and a sense of the natural decency of things, and fully sanctioned by Holy Scripture, that appropriate ministerial garments are right and proper. The fitness of this appears to be nearly as manifest in the case of all the attendant Clergy, when they give their presence on occasions of special public solemnities, as of those who actually engage in the several departments of Divine Service. I have no hesitation, therefore, in expressing the opinion, that results favorable to the salutary and edifying effect of the solemnities with which our ecclesiastical councils are opened, may be surely anticipated to flow from the appearance of the Clergy thereat in their proper official dress, and their occupying a part of the church by themselves. I therefore affectionately suggest and request that they do thus appear at the opening of Conventions; and purpose having arrangements made for their accommodation, as a body, in a particular and convenient portion of the Church.

The principle involved in the above remarks will, it is hoped, be seen to be equally applicable to Ordinations, Institutions, Consecrations, and other occasions on which due solemnity renders proper the official attendance of the Clergy.

BENJAMIN T. ONDERDONK.

APPENDIX.

No. X.

COMMITTEES, ETC., OF THE CONVENTION.

STANDING COMMITTEE.

Rev. William Berrian, D. D.	Messrs. Thomas L. Ogden,
Thomas Lyell, D. D.	Floyd Smith,
[John M'Vickar, D. D.	Murray Hoffman,
Thomas H. Taylor, D. D.	Gulian C. Verplanck.

DELEGATES TO THE GENERAL CONVENTION.

Rev. Thomas Lyell, D. D.	Messrs. Peter A. Jay,
James Milnor, D. D.	Thomas L. Ogden,
Henry Anthon, D. D.	Stephen Warren,
Francis L. Hawks, D. D.	James Emmott.

SUPPLEMENTAL DELEGATES.

Rev. Manton Eastburn, D. D.	Messrs. Floyd Smith,
John M'Vickar, D. D.	Gulian C. Verplanck,
William Berrian, D. D.	William Johnson,
Lewis P. Bayard, D. D.	Samuel Jones.

TRUSTEES OF THE EPISCOPAL FUND.*

Messrs. William H. Harison,	Messrs. Thomas Swords,
William Johnson,	Christopher Wolfe.

SPECIAL COMMITTEES.

ON THE MISSIONARY OPERATIONS OF THE TWO DIOCESES. Right Rev. Benjamin T. Onderdonk, D.D., Hon. Samuel Jones, Mr. Benjamin M. Brown, Rev. Thomas H. Taylor, D. D., Rev. Samuel Seabury, D. D., Mr. William H. Harison.

ON THE EPISCOPAL RESIDENCE. Messrs. Peter A. Jay, Samuel Jones, and Floyd Smith.

* There is one vacancy, occasioned by the death of Mr. Edward R. Jones.

ON THE CONSTITUTION AND CANONS. Right Rev. Benjamin T. Onderdonk, D. D., Rev. Francis L. Hawks, D. D., Rev. Hugh Smith, D. D., Rev. Lot Jones, and Messrs. Thomas L. Ogden, and Samuel Jones.

ON THE REPUBLICATION OF THE JOURNALS.—Rev. Francis L. Hawks, D. D., Rev. Benjamin I. Haight, and Mr. William H. Harison.

SECRETARY OF THE CONVENTION. Rev. Benjamin I. Haight.

TREASURER. Mr. Charles N. S. Rowland.

APPENDIX.

No. XI.

STATISTICS OF THE DIOCESE,

(FROM THE EPISCOPAL ADDRESS, THE PAROCHIAL AND MISSIONARY REPORTS, ETC.)

CLERGY,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	183
CONGREGATIONS,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	149
ORDINATIONS, (Priests 12, Deacons 13,)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	25
INSTITUTIONS,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7
CANDIDATES FOR ORDERS, of whom 21 are students in the								
General Theological Seminary,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	52
CHURCHES, Corner-stone laid,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
Consecrated,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
BAPTISMS, 65 reports,	-	-	-	-	Adults,	247		
85 “	-	-	-	-	Children,	1783		
16 “ not specified,	-	-	-	-		412		
								<hr/> 2442
CONFIRMATIONS,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	945
MARRIAGES, 90 reports,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	853
FUNERALS, 85 “	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1256
CATECHUMENS, 6 “	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	288
Designated as Sunday Scholars,	49 reports,	-	-	-	-	-	-	6142
SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS,	34 reports	-	-	-	-	-	-	685
COMMUNICANTS, added,	73 reports,	-	-	-	-	-	-	1129
Whole number,	104 “	-	-	-	-	-	-	9530

CONTRIBUTIONS.

EDUCATION AND MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF THE DIOCESE,—				
Education Fund,	18 reports,	-	\$480 49	
Missionary Fund,	34 " . . .	-	977 09	
Not specified,	27 " . . .	-	1445 97	2,903 55
EPISCOPAL FUND,	30 " . . .	-	-	233 48
DIOCESAN FUND,	41 " . . .	-	-	304 85
NEW-YORK BIBLE AND COMMON PRAYER BOOK SOCIETY, (including a few for the Central New-York Bible and Common Prayer Book Society),				
	25 reports,	-	-	707 47
PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL TRACT SOCIETY,	19 reports,	-	-	403 36
YOUNG MEN'S AUXILIARY EDUCATION AND MISSIONARY SOCIETY, New-York,	2 reports,	-	-	266 99
NEW-YORK PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CITY MISSION SOCIETY,	4 reports,	-	-	485 75
GENERAL THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY,	24 reports,	-	-	1,213 79
BOARD OF MISSIONS OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN THE UNITED STATES,—				
Domestic Committee,	24 reports,	-	4,337 21	
Foreign Committee,	17 " . . .	-	3,138 67	
Not specified,	4 " . . .	-	392 28	7,868 16
GENERAL PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL SUNDAY SCHOOL UNION,				
	4 reports,	-	-	223 31
Missionary, not otherwise designated,	6 reports,	-	-	87 36
Miscellaneous Church Purposes, in addition to the above,				
	38 reports,	-	-	20,664 49
For the Poor,	7 reports,	-	-	1,707 79
Total amount of Contributions reported,				\$37,170 35

* * Circumstances having prevented the completion of the Report of the Committee on the Constitution and Canons, it will soon be separately printed and circulated as a supplement to the Journal.

THE CONSTITUTION

OF

THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH

IN THE

DIOCESE OF NEW-YORK;

TOGETHER WITH THE

CANONS OF SAID CHURCH,

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CONSTITUTION
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PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH
IN THE
STATE OF NEW-YORK;

*As adopted October 11, 1796; and amended October 17, 1827, October 2, 1834,
and October 4, 1839.*

ARTICLE I.


THERE shall be a Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in this Diocese on the last Wednesday in September in each year, in such place as shall be determined by the Bishop for the time being. In the event of the prevalence of any epidemic disease, or for other sufficient cause, occurring after the designation of the place of the meeting of the Annual Convention, the Bishop, or in case of his inability to act, or of a vacancy in the Episcopate, the Standing Committee may appoint another place for the meeting of the Convention.

ARTICLE II.

The Bishop shall have power to call Special Conventions when he may judge it conducive to the good of the Church, or when applied to for that purpose by the Standing Committee; and in case of a vacancy in the Episcopal Chair, the Standing Committee shall have power to call a Special Convention.

ARTICLE III.

The Convention shall be composed of the officiating Ministers, being regularly admitted and settled in some Church within this Diocese which is in union with this Convention; and of Lay Members, consisting of one or more Delegates from each Church, to be chosen by the Vestry or Congregation: and Clergymen employed as Missionaries under the direction of this Convention, and Clergymen engaged as Professors or Instructors of youth in any College, Academy, or general Seminary of Learning, duly incorporated, may be members of the Convention.



ARTICLE IV.

Every Convention shall be opened with prayers and a sermon ; and the preacher shall be nominated by the Bishop.

ARTICLE V.

The Bishop shall preside in the Convention ; but in case of a vacancy, or necessary absence, the members shall elect a President from among the Clergy.

ARTICLE VI.

A Secretary shall be chosen upon the assembling of the annual Convention, from among the members thereof, who shall remain in office until the meeting of the next Convention. His duty shall be to take minutes of their proceedings, to preserve their journals and records, to attest the public acts of the body, and faithfully to deliver into the hands of his successor all books and papers relative to the concerns of the Convention which may be in his possession. It shall also be his duty to give due notice to each Minister and Vestry of the time and place appointed for the meeting of the succeeding Convention.

ARTICLE VII.

In all matters which shall come before the Convention, the Clergy and Laity shall deliberate in one body ; and in voting, the Clergy shall vote by individuals, and the Laity by congregations ; and when more than one Church or Chapel shall be united under one Vestry, the Delegate or Delegates of such Vestry shall be entitled to a vote for each Church or Chapel ; and a majority of votes of the two orders jointly shall be decisive : but if in any case it be required by five votes, the two orders shall vote separately in the manner aforesaid, and the concurrence of a majority of each order shall be necessary to constitute a decision. In the case of electing a Bishop, the two orders shall always vote separately, agreeably to the mode last prescribed.

ARTICLE VIII.

The mode of altering this Constitution shall be as follows : A proposition for an amendment shall be introduced in writing, and considered in the Convention ; and, if approved of, shall lie over to the next Convention ; and, if again approved of in such next Convention, by a majority of the two orders voting thereon separately, the change shall take place, and the Constitution so altered shall be valid and obligatory.

CANONS.

ADOPTED OCTOBER 2, 1834, AND AMENDED OCTOBER 4, 1839.

CANON I.

A List to be made of Ministers in the Diocese.

SECT. 1. Within one week before the meeting of every Convention of this Diocese, the Bishop shall prepare, or cause to be prepared, a list of all the Ministers of the Protestant Episcopal Church, canonically resident in this Diocese, annexing the names of their respective Cures, or Parishes, or Stations as Missionaries, or of the Colleges, Academies, or General Seminaries of Learning, duly incorporated, in which they are engaged, or in regard to those who are not engaged in Parishes, Missions, or Institutions of Learning as above, their places of residence only : but no Clergyman, while suspended from the ministry, shall have a place on the said list. And such list shall be laid before the Convention on the first day of meeting, and be prefixed to the Journal.

SECT. 2. The right of any Clergyman of this Diocese to a seat in the Convention, shall, if disputed, be determined according to the provisions of the third article of the Constitution, by the Convention itself; whether his name be inserted in the list aforesaid or omitted.

CANON II.

Of the Members of the Convention.

SECT. 1. Whereas by the third article of the Constitution of the Church in New-York, "officiating Ministers, being regularly admitted and settled in some Church within this State, which is in union with this Convention," are entitled to seats in the Convention; and whereas in the case of Ministers removing into this Diocese, doubts may arise as to what constitutes regular admission and settlement, pursuant to the Constitution :—it is hereby declared, that in all such cases hereafter arising upon a contested right to a seat in the Convention, the evidence of *regular admission* shall consist in proof satisfactory to the Convention, of a compliance with the IVth Canon of the General Convention of 1835, and the evidence of *settlement*

shall consist in proof satisfactory to the Convention of a compliance with the first, second, and third Sections of the XXXth Canon of the General Convention.

SECT. 2. And whereas by the same article of the Constitution, "Clergymen employed as Missionaries under the direction of this Convention," are also entitled to seats; it is further declared that in all cases of a contested right to a seat, evidence of such employment as a Missionary shall consist in the certificate of the Bishop.

SECT. 3. And whereas "Clergymen engaged as Professors or Instructors of youth in any College, Academy, or General Seminary of Learning, duly incorporated," are entitled to be members of the Convention:—it is further declared that in all cases hereafter, where the seat of such a Clergyman shall be contested, the evidence of his connexion with a Seminary of Learning duly incorporated, shall consist in the certificate of the President, Clerk, or any two Professors of such corporation, that he is so employed.

SECT. 4. The appointment of a Lay Deputy to the Convention of this Diocese shall be certified in writing by the Rector of the parish of which he is a representative, or by one of the Wardens, or by the Clerk of the Vestry of such Church: and no other certificate of the appointment of any Lay Deputy or Deputies to the Convention of this Diocese shall be allowed or received. And no Lay Delegate shall be entitled to a seat in the Convention unless he be entitled to vote for Wardens and Vestrymen of the Church which he is appointed to represent.

SECT. 5. A copy of the fourth Section of this Canon shall be annually transmitted by the Secretaries of the Convention to every Church in this Diocese, in the same manner with the notice which by the Constitution he is or may be required to give of the time and place appointed for the meeting of the succeeding Convention.

SECT. 6. The presence of at least thirty Clergymen entitled to vote in the Convention, and of Delegates from at least thirty Congregations, shall be necessary to the transaction of business, except that a smaller number may adjourn from day to day.

CANON III.

Of the Call of the Convention.

UNLESS it be otherwise directed by the Convention, the mode of giving notice of the meeting of any Convention shall be by an advertisement of the time and place of such meeting, signed by the Secretary, and published in three of the public papers, or Church journals printed in the Diocese of New-York. Whenever, under the provisions of the Constitution, a Special Convention is called for any particular purpose, it shall be the duty of the Secretary in the notice thereof to specify such purpose.

CANON IV.

Of the Admission of a Church into Union with the Protestant Episcopal Church in this Diocese.

SECT. 1. To entitle a church to admission into union with the Protestant Episcopal Church in this Diocese, it shall be required that the Vestry submit to the Convention, or to a Committee appointed by its authority, the certificate of incorporation, duly recorded, or a copy thereof, certified by the Clerk of the county.

SECT. 2. Every incorporated Church applying for admission into union with the Convention of this Diocese, shall also produce to the Convention a certificate of the Bishop, or in case of his absence, or of a vacancy in the Episcopate, of the major part of the Standing Committee, that he or they approve of the incorporation of such Church.

CANON V.

Of the Secretary of the Convention.

SECT. 1. In addition to the constitutional provisions concerning the Secretary, it is hereby declared that this officer shall be chosen by ballot after *viva voce* nominations of the Candidates, and shall continue in office until a new election is made.

SECT. 2. He shall transmit annually to each of the Bishops of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in the United States, and to the Secretary of the last house of Clerical and Lay Deputies in the General Convention, and to the Secretary of every Diocesan Convention, a copy of the Journal of the Convention; and shall request the last to send copies of their respective Journals in exchange.

SECT. 3. He shall also transmit to every General Convention, in addition to the documents mentioned in the third Section of the VIIth Canon of the General Convention of 1835, a certificate to be signed by himself, containing a list of the Clergymen in this Diocese, and the amount of funds paid or secured to be paid (distinguishing them) to the General Theological Seminary; together with the nomination of Trustees of that Seminary; and also a like certificate of the appointment of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

SECT. 4. Any expense incurred by a compliance with the third Section of this Canon shall be paid out of the Diocesan Fund.

SECT. 5. Whenever there shall be a vacancy in the office of Secretary of the Convention, the duties thereof shall devolve upon the Assistant Secretary, if there be one; if not, upon the Secretary of the Standing Committee.

CANON VI.

Of the Treasurer of the Convention.

SECT. 1. At every stated Convention, there shall be chosen by ballot a Treasurer of the Convention, who shall remain in office until the next stated Convention, and until a successor is appointed. It shall be his duty to receive and disburse all moneys collected under the authority of the Convention, and of which the collection and distribution shall not be otherwise regulated.

SECT. 2. His accounts shall be rendered annually to the Convention, and shall be examined by a Committee acting under its authority.

SECT. 3. In case of a vacancy in the office of Treasurer, it shall be supplied by an appointment to be made by the Standing Committee; and the person so appointed shall continue to act until an appointment is made by the Convention.

CANON VII.

Of Parish Registers and Parochial Reports.

WHEREAS by the XXIXth Canon of the General Convention of 1832, it is made the duty of each Clergyman of this Church, to keep a Register of Baptisms, Confirmations, Communicants, Marriages and Funerals within his Cure; agreeably to such rules as may be provided by the Convention of the Diocese where his Cure lies:— it is hereby ordered, that,

SECT. 1. The Record shall specify the name and time of the birth of the child baptized, with the names of the parents and sponsors; the name of the adult baptized; the names of the parties married; the names of the persons buried; and also the time when each rite was performed. These Registers shall be kept by the Minister in a book to be provided for that purpose belonging to the Vestry of each Church; which book shall be the Parish Register, and shall be preserved by the Vestry as a part of the records of the Church.

The list of Communicants shall embrace all within his Cure as nearly as can be ascertained, and he shall also keep a list of the families and adult persons in his cure, as far as practicable, and also an accurate list of the persons confirmed from time to time by the Bishop.

SECT. 2. And whereas by the VIIth Canon of the General Convention of 1835, every Minister of this Church shall present or cause to be delivered on or before the first day of every annual Convention, to the Bishop of the Diocese, or when there is no Bishop, to the President of the Convention, a statement of the number of Baptisms, Confirmations and Funerals; and of the number of Communicants in his Parish or Church, and of all other matters that may throw light on the state of the same: it is hereby fur-

ther ordered, that in reporting the number of communicants, he shall distinguish the additions, removals, and deaths, since the last report.

SECT. 3. In every case where a parish is destitute of a minister, the Register, contemplated by this Canon, shall be kept by some person appointed by the Vestry for that purpose; and the annual parochial reports shall be presented or forwarded to the Bishop by the wardens of the parish.

CANON VIII.

Of preparing a Report on the State of the Church.

Whereas by the 5th Section of the VIIth Canon of the General Convention of 1835, "it is recommended that the ecclesiastical authority of the Church in every Diocese, prepare a condensed report and a tabular view of the State of the Church in their Diocese, previously to the meeting of every General Convention, for the purpose of aiding the Committee on the State of the Church, appointed by the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, in drafting their report;" therefore a Committee of the Convention of this Diocese shall be appointed at the stated meeting of the same, next before every stated meeting of the General Convention, to assist the Bishop in preparing a report of the State of the Church in this Diocese, and a list of the Clergy, to be presented to the General Convention.

CANON IX.

Of Deputies to the General Convention.

SECT. 1. The Convention shall, at each regular annual meeting, elect by the concurrent ballot of the Clerical and Lay Members, four Clergymen and four Laymen to act as Deputies from this Diocese to the General Convention: it shall also, in like manner, elect four Clergymen and four Laymen as provisional deputies to act in the case hereinafter mentioned.

SECT. 2. It shall be the duty of the Deputies elect, to signify to the Bishop, on some day within three weeks of the meeting of the General Convention, and at least one week before such meeting, their acceptance of the appointment, and their intention to perform its duties: in default of which, the Bishop shall designate from the list of provisional deputies, so many as may be necessary to ensure as far as practicable a full representation of the Diocese: and the person or persons so designated by the Bishop, being furnished with his certificate thereof, shall have all the power and authority of deputies duly elected by the Convention.

SECT. 3. In case of a vacancy in the Episcopate, or of the inability of the Bishop to act, the power conferred upon the Bishop by this Canon, shall be exercised by the Standing Committee.

SECT. 4. The Deputies appointed to the General Convention, as provided for in the 1st Section of this Canon, shall hold their office until the next Diocesan Convention, and until others are chosen in their places.

CANON X.

Of the Standing Committee.

WHEREAS by Canon IV. of the General Convention of 1832, it is required that there shall be a Standing Committee, to be appointed by the Convention in each Diocese, whose duties, except so far as provided for by the Canons of the General Convention, may be prescribed by the Canons of the respective Dioceses; therefore, in addition to the Canons of the General Convention touching Standing Committees, it is hereby declared that the Standing Committee in the Diocese of New-York shall be constituted in the manner, and perform the duties, hereinafter prescribed.

SECT. 1. At every stated Convention an election of a Standing Committee shall be made; which Committee shall consist of four of the Clergy and four of the Laity, to be chosen by ballot, and by the concurrent vote of the members of each order. Vacancies in said Committee, occurring by death or otherwise, shall be supplied by the concurrent vote of the Clerical Members and Lay Members of the Committee.

SECT. 2. In case of a vacancy in the Episcopate, the powers and duties to be performed by the Bishop in matters of discipline, shall be performed by the Standing Committee, except in those cases where such powers and duties are or may be specially delegated to or enjoined upon the Clerical Members of said Committee; in which cases, such powers and duties shall be exercised by said Clerical Members alone: provided that no sentence shall be pronounced upon a Clergyman but by a Bishop.

SECT. 3. The record of all proceedings upon a presentment of a Clergyman, shall be preserved by the Standing Committee, and for that purpose shall, after a final decision, be delivered to their Secretary.

SECT. 4. Should a stated Convention, from any cause, not be held at the appointed time, or if such Convention should be held, but no election be made pursuant to Section 1 of this Canon, then the last Standing Committee elected shall continue to perform the duties of the office until a new election takes place.

CANON XI.

Of vacant Parishes.

SECT. 1. Whenever a parish becomes vacant, it shall be the duty of the Vestry to give immediate notice thereof to the Bishop.

SECT. 2. The Bishop shall appoint those of the Clergy in the Diocese who can with most convenience discharge the duty, to

supply such vacant parishes as have been reported to him, at such times as may be deemed convenient and proper. And at every Convention, the Clergy so appointed shall be called on for an account of the fulfilment of the duty, and to make a full report concerning the state of the parishes which they have visited. It shall be the duty of such vacant parishes thus supplied to defray all the expenses incident to such occasional services.

CANON XII.

Concerning Elections.

ELECTIONS by ballot, when required by these Canons, may be dispensed with by a unanimous vote of the Convention. And when an election is by ballot, a majority of the votes in each order shall be necessary to a valid election.

CANON XIII.

Of the Episcopal Fund.

SECT. 1. Every Congregation in this Diocese is required to make an annual contribution to the fund for the support of the Episcopate, until the Convention shall otherwise direct. The amount of each annual contribution shall be reported to the stated Convention next after it has been made, and shall be entered upon its Journals: and the mode to be adopted, and the measures to be taken for obtaining such annual contributions, are hereby left to the discretion of the Rectors or Ministers in their respective congregations.

SECT. 2. There shall be five Trustees appointed by the Convention, to whom the management and care of the fund for the support of the Episcopate in this Diocese shall be intrusted: the said Trustees shall hold their offices during the pleasure of the Convention; and all vacancies occurring in said Board of Trustees shall from time to time be supplied by the Convention.

SECT. 3. All monies belonging to the Episcopal fund, shall by the said Trustees be loaned upon security of real estate, or invested in stock of the United States, or of any of the States, or of the City of New-York, at their discretion: and all securities and investments shall be taken or made in the names of the said Trustees or the survivors of them, as Trustees of the said fund, and they shall have power from time to time to change such investments. A statement of the said fund and securities shall be exhibited at every stated meeting of the Convention, signed by the said Trustees, or a majority of them.

SECT. 4. The fund thus raised and managed shall be permitted to accumulate without diminution until in the opinion of the Convention it shall become adequate to the support of a Bishop, independently of any parochial cure.

CANON XIV.

Of the Diocesan Fund.

SECT. 1. Whereas it is indispensable to provide a fund for defraying the necessary expenses of the Convention, and particularly the expenses of those of the Clergy who may have to travel from a distance to the Convention; it is hereby required of every Congregation in this Diocese, to pay to the Treasurer of the Convention, on or before the day of its annual meeting, a contribution of not less than one and a half per cent. on the amount of the salary of its Clergyman. Which fund shall from time to time be appropriated in part by a Committee of the Convention to the purposes above mentioned.

SECT. 2. And whereas by Canon X. of the General Convention of 1838, it is made the duty of the several Diocesan Conventions to forward to the Secretary of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, at each meeting of the General Convention, seventy-five cents for each Clergyman within the Diocese, for the purpose of defraying the contingent expenses of the said Convention; therefore it shall be the duty of the Committee appointed to appropriate the moneys paid in to the Diocesan fund, to retain annually out of such moneys twenty-five cents for each Clergyman in this Diocese. The monies thus arising shall be kept by the Treasurer of the Convention, to be by him paid over to the Secretary of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies at each meeting of the General Convention.

CANON XV.

Of Theological Education, and the Support of Missionaries.

THIS Convention having approved the objects of the Education and Missionary Society of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of New-York; and having also approved its Constitution; therefore,

SECT. 1. The distribution of all funds which may be raised in compliance with the requisitions of this Canon for the purpose of educating young men for holy Orders, or for the support of Missionaries, is confided to the said Society.

SECT. 2. It is required of every Congregation in this Diocese to make an annual contribution in aid of the Education fund, and also an annual contribution in aid of the Missionary fund of the said Society. The amount of such annual contributions shall be reported to the stated Convention next after they have been made, and shall be entered upon the Journals. The mode to be adopted and the measures to be taken for obtaining such annual contributions are left to the discretion of the Rectors or Ministers in their respective Churches.

CANON XVI.

Of the Trial of a Clergyman not being a Bishop.

WHENEVER any minister of this Diocese, not being Bishop thereof, shall become "liable to presentment and trial" under the provisions of any Canon of the General or Diocesan Convention, the mode of proceeding in this Diocese shall be as follows, viz.

SECT. 1. The trial shall be on a presentment in writing, addressed to the Bishop of the Diocese, specifying the offences of which the accused is alleged to be guilty with reasonable certainty as to time, place, and circumstances. Such presentment may be made by the major part in number of the members of the Vestry of any Church of which the accused is a Minister, or by any three Presbyters of this Diocese entitled to seats in the Convention, or as hereinafter mentioned. Whenever from public rumor, or otherwise, the Bishop shall have reason to believe that any Clergyman is under the imputation of having been guilty of any offence or misconduct, for which he is liable to be tried, and that the interest of the Church requires an investigation, it shall be his duty to appoint five persons, of whom three at least shall be Presbyters, to examine the case; a majority of whom may make such examination, and if there is in their opinion sufficient ground for presentment, shall present the Clergyman accordingly.

SECT. 2. A presentment being made in any one of the modes above prescribed, the Bishop, if the facts charged shall not appear to him to be such as constitute an offence, may dismiss it; or if it allege facts, some of which do, and some of which do not constitute an offence, he may allow it in part and dismiss the residue, or he may permit it to be amended. When it shall be allowed in whole or in part, the Bishop shall cause a copy of it to be served on the accused; and shall also nominate twelve Presbyters of this Diocese entitled to seats in the Convention, and not being parties to the presentment, and cause a list of their names to be served on the accused, who shall within thirty days after such service, select five of them and notify their names in writing to the Bishop; and if he shall not give such notification to the Bishop within the said thirty days, the Bishop shall select five, and the Presbyters so selected shall form a Board for the trial of the accused, and shall meet at such time and place as the Bishop shall direct, and shall have power to adjourn from time to time, and from place to place, (but always within this Diocese,) as they shall think necessary.

SECT. 3. A written notice of the time and place of their first meeting shall be served at least thirty days before such meeting, on the accused, and also on one of the persons making the presentment.

SECT. 4. If at the time appointed for the first meeting of the Board of Presbyters, the whole number of five shall not attend, then those who do attend may adjourn from time to time; and if after one adjournment or more, it shall appear to them improbable that the whole

number will attend within a reasonable time, then those who do attend, not being less than three, shall constitute the Board, and proceed to the trial, and a majority of them shall decide all questions.

SECT. 5. If a Clergyman presented shall confess the truth of the facts alleged in the presentment, it shall be the duty of the Bishop to proceed to pass sentence; and if he shall not confess them before the appointment of a Board for his trial, as before mentioned, he shall be considered as denying them.

SECT. 6. If a Clergyman presented, after having had due notice, shall not appear before the Board of Presbyters appointed for his trial, the Board may nevertheless proceed as if he were present, unless for good cause they shall see fit to adjourn till another day.

SECT. 7. When the Board proceed to the trial, they shall hear such evidence as shall be produced, which evidence shall be reduced to writing and signed by the witnesses respectively; and some officer authorized by law to administer oaths may, at the desire of either party, be requested to administer an oath or affirmation to the witnesses, that they will testify the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth, concerning the facts charged in the presentment. If on or during the trial, the accused shall confess the truth of the charges as stated in the presentment, the Board may dispense with hearing further evidence, and may proceed at once to state their opinion to the Bishop as to the sentence that ought to be pronounced.

SECT. 8. Upon the application of either party to the Bishop, and it being made satisfactorily to appear to him, that any material witness cannot be procured upon the trial, the Bishop may appoint a commissary to take the testimony of such witness. Such commissary may be either a Clergyman or a Layman, and the party so applying, shall give to the other at least ~~six~~ days' notice of the time and place of taking the testimony. And if the person on whom the notice shall be served, shall reside more than 40 miles from the place of examination, an additional day's notice shall be given for every additional 20 miles of the said distance. And both parties may attend and examine the witness; and the questions and answers shall be reduced to writing and signed by the witness, and shall be certified by the commissary, and enclosed under his seal, and transmitted to the Board, and shall be received by them as evidence. A witness examined before such commissary, may be sworn or affirmed in manner aforesaid.

SECT. 9. The Board having deliberately considered the evidence, shall declare in a writing signed by them, or a majority of them, their decision on the charges contained in the presentment, distinctly stating whether the accused is guilty or not guilty of such charges respectively, and also stating the sentence which in their opinion should be pronounced; and a copy of such decision shall be without delay communicated to the accused; and the original decision, together with the evidence, shall be delivered to the Bishop, who shall

pronounce such canonical sentence as shall appear to him to be proper, provided the same shall not exceed in severity the sentence recommended by the Board ; and such sentence shall be final. Before pronouncing any sentence, the Bishop shall summon the accused and any three or more of the Clergy to meet him at such time as may in his opinion be most convenient, in some church to be designated by him, which shall for that purpose be open at the time to all persons who may choose to attend, and the sentence shall then and there be publicly pronounced by the Bishop. But the Bishop, if he shall be satisfied that justice requires it, may grant a new trial to the accused, in which case a new Board of Presbyters shall be appointed, the proceedings before whom shall be conducted as before mentioned.

SECT. 10. All notices and papers contemplated in this Canon may be served by a summoner or summoners, to be appointed for the purpose by the Bishop, and whose certificate of such service shall be evidence thereof. In case of service by any other person, the fact shall be proved by the affidavit of such person. A written notice or paper delivered to a party, or left at his last place of residence, shall be deemed a sufficient service of such notice or paper.

SECT. 11. The defendant may have the privilege of appearing by counsel, in case of the exercise of which privilege, and not otherwise, those who present shall have also the like privilege.

CANON XVII.

Of the Trial of a Bishop.

SECT. 1. The trial of a Bishop shall be on a presentment in writing, specifying the offences of which he is alleged to be guilty, with reasonable certainty as to time, place and circumstances. Such presentment may be made by the Convention, a majority of the votes present of each order concurring ; or, in the recess of the Convention, by two-thirds of the Standing Committee. When made by the Convention, it shall be signed by a committee appointed for that purpose. Such presentment shall be addressed to the Bishops of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, and shall be delivered to the presiding Bishop, unless when the Bishop presented is the presiding Bishop, and in that case it shall be addressed to the Bishop next in seniority ; with a request that he will take such steps as to him may seem best for an immediate trial of the accused by some three or more of the Bishops of said Church.

SECT. 2. A Committee consisting of three Presbyters and three Laymen shall be appointed by the Convention or Standing Committee, as the case may be, to prosecute the presentment. The Bishops who shall try the accused, or the majority of them, shall have power, either upon the confession of the accused, or after hearing the parties, to pass such sentence as is, or may be authorized by the Constitution or Canons of the Church.

SECT. 3. The proceedings as to service of a copy of the presentment, the taking of testimony, the notices to be given to, and the papers to be served on the accused, and the proceeding in case he shall refuse or neglect to appear, shall conform as near as may be to those directed in the XVIth Canon in regard to Clergymen not being Bishops; and shall in other respects be regulated as the said Bishops, or a majority of them, shall direct.

CANON XVIII.

Concerning Alterations in the Canons, and Additions thereto.

No proposed alteration of, or addition to the Canons, shall hereafter be considered by the Convention, unless at least one day's previous notice be given thereof in open Convention; nor, unless by unanimous consent, until such alteration or addition shall have been referred to, and reported upon, by a Committee of at least two Presbyters and two Laymen. Nor shall such alteration or addition be adopted, during the same Convention, if two-thirds of the votes of both orders shall not concur therein; but in such case, the same (unless negatived by a majority of the members present) shall lie over for consideration until the next annual meeting of the Convention.

CANON XIX.

Repealing former Canons.

ALL former Canons of this Convention are hereby repealed.

A
PASTORAL LETTER
TO THE
CLERGY AND LAITY OF THE DIOCESE OF NEW-YORK,
ON THE
**DUTY OF AIDING IN EDUCATION FOR THE HOLY MINISTRY, AND IN THE
MISSIONARY OPERATIONS OF THE DIOCESE.**

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To the Clergy and Laity of the Diocese of New-York.

BRETHREN :

SUCH is the present alarming deficiency in the treasury of the Education and Missionary Society of our Diocese, that there is a loud call for immediate aid, in order to prevent a failure in meeting existing obligations to our missionaries and beneficiaries. The little stipend allowed to each of the former, is a most important portion of his living ; and it is essential to his comfort that it be paid with uniform promptness and punctuality. In the case of our beneficiaries generally, or young men who are receiving aid to enable them to prosecute their studies in preparation for the ministry ; if their stipends are withholden, their studies must either be abandoned, or prosecuted under the great disadvantage of being connected with daily labour for their subsistence.

Deeply impressed with the very serious character and bearings of this state of things, I avail myself of it for calling your attention to the important subjects concerned—*Education for the Ministry, and Missionary operations within our Diocese.*

Of the importance of a thorough education for the ministry, it would seem, in the present day, hardly necessary to say a word. The first, and infinitely the most important qualification for the sacred office, undoubtedly, is true piety, founded on the princi-

ples of the Gospel, deeply rooted in the affections of the heart, regulated by a spiritually enlightened understanding, and thoroughly controlling the life and character.

In addition to this great and indispensable qualification, wrought in them by the power of the Holy Ghost, the first preachers of the Gospel had, also, from the same Divine source, divers extraordinary gifts, supplying those qualifications which ordinarily come of profound study and close mental application. Those extraordinary endowments were, however, soon withdrawn, and the salutary necessity laid upon those who would be able ministers of the New Testament, of devoting themselves to the ordinarily appointed means of attaining to a knowledge of Divine things, and to the intellectual cultivation so intimately connected with meetness for becoming the instructors of the people, the defenders of Christian verity, and the guardians and supporters of that social and civil welfare which comes of the influences of true piety and virtue.

Hence the solicitous attention paid by Christian nations generally to the education of the clergy. And if any where there is a special need of the benign influences on the community of pure religion and sound morality, it is in our own construction of society, where public principle and public sentiment must ultimately control every thing, and fix our national destiny.

That pure religion and sound morality are to be found only in the Gospel, I have no hesitation in assuming as a proposition which need not be proved. Their influence, then, depends upon the Gospel's being well understood, and favourably commended to the notice, regard, and adoption of the community. Of course, it is only by the power of the Holy Ghost that the Gospel can be rendered efficacious upon the human heart and character. But it is a clearly revealed part of the dispensation of God's grace, that the influences of the Holy Ghost are regulated by a regard for man's moral agency, and his due improvement of that moral agency in its bearings and results on the cultivation and direction of his understanding. Therefore, a vitally important means of drawing down upon a community those blessings of the Gospel, which come of the practical influences

of the Holy Spirit, is directing men's understandings to the purity, excellence, and fulness of the Gospel, and its adaptation to the securing of the greatest happiness of individuals and communities. And for this purpose, nothing is more important than having throughout the community a devout, learned, and faithful clergy; for which end, ample provision must be made for clerical education.

This education is necessary, first, on account of the large store of knowledge which the clergy should have, to fit them for being the religious teachers and guides of the community. The Bible being the source of all religious knowledge, must obviously be well understood by the ministry, before they can make it so by the people; and especially before there can be sufficient security against the malign influences of the blundering notions of the ignorant, the bold innovations of the conceited, and the wily arts of the designing. And this well understanding of the Bible, if to be thoroughly efficient, must include an accurate knowledge of it, in the form, that is, in the original languages, in which it was indited, and of all those departments of philology, of natural, intellectual, and moral science, of history, and of ancient geography, which throw perpetually increasing light on its truth, its genuine meaning, and its surpassing excellence, and furnish ample materials for refuting gainsayers, however bold in their intellectual pretensions.

But the knowledge gained is far from being the whole of the advantage flowing from a thorough education for the ministry.

The *discipline of mind*, attained by a long and laborious course of intellectual preparation, is of immense value. The active duties of the pastoral office, draw perpetually upon the clergyman for investigation of nice and delicate cases, for decision in important points, for resolution of difficulties, for healing of misunderstandings, for deliberations, counsels, and judgments, requiring a mind well matured by study, and by deep and serious reflection. This is to be obtained by a long course of laborious and severe preparation.

Such a course of preparation, also, furnishes a valuable test of the sincerity of a young man's affection for the work of the

ministry, and desire to devote himself to it. It may be safely assumed, that if one's heart is not in the work before him, he will not submit to much exertion, pain, or sacrifice, in its behalf. Let young men, then, see and feel that it is no easy matter for them to get into the ministry, but that they must labour for it hard and long ; and if their spiritual views of duty with regard to it are not of the strongest, most genuine, and most durable character, they must give way, and others more truly accordant with their real inclinations be substituted.

This consideration is especially valuable, in reference to those whose religious feelings and spiritual anxieties are of recent date. Let them by no means be hurried into the ministry, lest they find too late, and the Church finds too late, by bitter experience, that their entrance into it has indeed been hurried. Let their religious feelings and spiritual anxieties be tested by long time, and long and laborious preparation for the ministry, ere they are trusted as meet qualifications for that holy calling.

To these general arguments, my brethren, in favour of a thorough course of education for the ministry, others might be added, drawn from the particular character of our age and nation. Ignorant enthusiasts and fanatics are taking no small hold on a portion of the public mind. Popish and Protestant errors and heresies have enlisted in their behalf a large share of intellectual effort, and of claim to learning. Misnamed liberality, affecting superiority to sectarian feeling, is plying every art to beguile the multitude of unstable souls who are calling for the largest freedom from the pure faith, good order, and wholesome restraints of the Gospel. Infidelity, rank, daring infidelity, with its blighting influences on individual, social, and civil happiness and welfare, is pushing into every corner of the land its bold but groundless pretensions to the credit of learning, philosophy, and philanthropy. These enemies to true religion, to sound morality, and to human welfare, must be met. And that they may be effectually met, the Church must have its enlightened, well-trained, faithful, and devoted ministers throughout the whole length and breadth of our land.

To aid her in this, she must be supplied with all needed facili-

ties in training her ministers for their momentous work. The particular department which the present occasion suggests for aiding her, is bringing suitable persons within her influence for such training.

It is a fact, for which it is not necessary here to account, that a very large proportion of those who have a desire for the ministry, are destitute of sufficient means for prosecuting the needed literary and theological preparation. What then shall be done? The Church must have ministers from among them, or have, indeed, a mournful and disastrous fewness of labourers. Shall they be brought into the ministry without literary and theological preparation? Every interest dear to the enlightened Christian's heart, emphatically says No. How then shall they attain to that preparation? Must they be left to toil for many hours in each day for their daily subsistence, and have but the small remainder of their time, with wearied bodies, and exhausted or dissipated minds, to give to study? To give it, too, to study, in situations and under circumstances unavoidable for their *business*, but every thing but favourable for mental labour? Years may be spent in this way, as is obvious on the least common sense reflection, and little, little indeed, be done towards due preparation for the ministry. And must the Church be satisfied with what can thus be effected? Brethren, our Diocese has said No. Sympathising with the spirit on this subject which is abroad in the Christian world, it has long been engaged in the good work of aiding young men with means to enable them to study. There has been, however, an imperfection in the system. The aid has been too scantily rendered. The result has been, that those aided have been obliged still to alienate a portion of their time and care for the securing of the balance of their needed support, or to cut short their course of preparation, and enter prematurely into the ministry, because they can afford to study no longer.

The Education Board of our Education and Missionary Society, has now adopted a new principle. Its outlines are, that young men of suitable age, of approved piety, of good intellectual parts, and of tested industry and success in study, who have not

the means of providing for their education, are adopted as beneficiaries of the Society, and have such pecuniary aid extended to them, as will secure to them, with strict economy, a comfortable support. They are then put under an obligation to pursue their literary studies under approved auspices, and their theological, in our General Seminary. They are kept under a constant, wholesome supervision, and are bound to give themselves wholly to study, and to pursue a thorough course.

This is the system, brethren, which you are called on to aid. I surely need not tell you that its ample support, and efficient operation, have connected with them, as necessary results from causes, the most essential interests of religion and the Church, and therefore of human welfare in every individual and social department. And the aid, to be truly efficient, must be liberal and perpetual. There must be a constant flow of patronage into the treasury of an institution which, year by year, has constant accessions of subjects for its care and nurturing, and year by year, is constantly sending forth, to bless the world and the Church, those who have partaken of its benefits. Daily, brethren, let your prayers ascend for God's blessing on this work; and with unwearied perseverance, and a liberal and cheerful heart, let every one of you—he that hath much, plenteously—he that hath little, gladly of that little—contribute to its successful prosecution, and its blessed issue.

If the preceding portion of this letter, beloved brethren, has met in your hearts the sympathetic response, which I pray God it may in the hearts of you all, but little need be added in favour of the claims of missions in our Diocese.

It is now more than forty-three years since the commencement of our diocesan missions, a department of ministerial labour from which, by God's blessing, the most extensive benefit has flowed; and the objects to be accomplished by which, render it one of the most proper and genuine evidences of that missionary spirit, which is the glory of the Church, and an essential ingredient in a true Christian character. There are sections of our own Diocese miserably destitute of the means of moral and spiritual culture, where infidelity is strengthening its

debasing and destructive influences. The most flagrant corruptions of Gospel truth, and violations of Gospel order, are in many places spreading far and wide, to the bitter grief of the friends of that truth, to the sore detriment of sound and well ordered piety, to the serious injury of social welfare, and to the alarming increase, by the disgust which it produces, of secret or open infidelity. And throughout all these regions there are devout and excellent members of the Church, once elsewhere and in happier circumstances, enjoying her sweet communion, now unable, without aid, to sustain the ministrations of the sanctuary, suffering acutely under their bereavements, and calling upon their more favoured brethren, for the love they bear to their common Saviour, to pity and relieve them. A spirit of inquiry is abroad among sensible and intelligent men on religious subjects, connected with deep-rooted dissatisfaction with the various dissenting forms and operations of professed Christianity, which wants but to be met by an opportunity of acquaintance with the services, institutions, principles, and instructions of the Church, to make it conducive, by God's blessing, to rich accessions of sound, faithful, and efficient members.

These and kindred circumstances combine to call loudly for a large increase of our diocesan missionary operations; while they hold out the sure prospect, as the result of that increase, of great good to the cause of God and His Church, and thus of glory to His holy name, and spiritual and eternal benefit to our fellow men.

And now, brethren, I commend the great objects of our Education and Missionary Society to your increased, your constant, your liberal, your cheerful patronage. I am aware that the present are times much less favourable than times have been, to the gathering of pecuniary means for any object. But let it be considered that the only way effectually and permanently to better the times, is to diffuse more generally the influences of sound religious and moral principle. It has been well observed, that the characteristic difficulty and hardness of the times, is of *man's* producing, notwithstanding—may I not say, in spite of?—*God's* blessings all around us. Peace, health, and plenteous

products of the earth are ours. Why, then, is worldly prosperity so straitened in our borders? It is not of God. His blessings encompass us on every side. No, brethren, it is our want, as a community, of having the true fear of God before our eyes. If the pure moral influence of the sanctifying principles, and the practical holiness and virtue of the Gospel, were allowed duly to move, to guide, and to restrain us in our characters and our employments, and thus to take away barriers raised by ourselves to the happy tendency of the mercy and goodness of God, a very different scene would be presented. Instead, then, of curtailing, we ought to increase our efforts for the diffusion of pure and undefiled religion; for this is the only true remedy for the ills we are suffering. Let luxuries, and pleasures, and superfluities of all kinds, be sacrificed, rather than take ought from—nay, rather than not add to—all proper means for drawing down upon our country, upon our social relations, and upon ourselves, individually, the relief, the comfort, the welfare, which come only of the holiness and virtue of the Gospel.

Consider, brethren, what has been said; and may God give you a rightly understanding heart, and duly interested sensibilities, in the sphere of Christian operation now commended to your prayers and your furtherance, by

Your faithful friend and affectionate Diocesan,

BENJ. T. ONDERDONK,

Bishop of the Diocese of New-York.

New-York, Nov. 29, 1839.

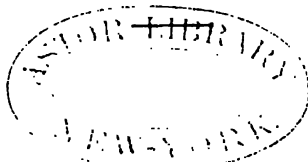
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- * Rev. Pierre Teller Babbit, rector of Christ Church, Hudson.
- Rev. Deodatus Babcock, Rector of Christ church, Ballston, Saratoga county.
- Rev. William Baker, missionary at Fairfield and Norway, Herkimer county.
- Rev. Lewis P. W. Balch, rector of St. Bartholomew's church, New-York.
- Rev. William Barlow, rector of St. Paul's church, Flatbush, King's county.
- * Rev. William S. Bartlett, missionary at Little Falls, Herkimer county.
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- Rev. William H. A. Bissell, instructor in the Episcopal Institute, Troy.
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- Rev. Charles W. Bradley.
- Rev. Johnson A. Brayton, teacher at Ogdensburgh, and officiating in Grace Church, Canton, St. Lawrence county.
- Rev. George Bridgeman.
- Rev. Thomas S. Brittan, residing at Brooklyn.
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- Rev. Edward C. Bull, officiating at Brookfield, Connecticut.
- Rev. David I. Burger, missionary at Hoosick Falls, Rensselaer county.
- Rev. David Butler, D. D., residing at Troy.
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- Rev. William M. Carmichael, D. D., rector of St. George's Church, Hempstead, including Trinity chapel, Rockaway, Queen's county.
 Rev. Lawson Carter, residing in Brooklyn.
 Rev. Henry Caswall.
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 * Rev. Henry M. Davis, missionary at Kingston, Ulster county.
 Rev. Sheldon Davis, deacon, missionary at Patterson, Putnam county, and Pawlings, Dutchess county.
 Rev. Isaiah G. De Grasse, deacon, (a coloured man.)
 * Rev. Stephen Douglas, deacon, officiating in the Diocese of Western New-York.
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 Rev. Charles W. Hackley, teacher, New-York.
 * Rev. Benjamin I. Haight, rector of All Saints' Church, New-York.
 * Rev. Charles H. Halsey, rector of St. Paul's Church, Sing-Sing, Westchester county.
 * Rev. Robert W. Harris, rector of Grace Church, White-Plains, Westchester county.

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- Rev. Richard T. Huddart**, deacon, principal of an academy, New-York.
- Rev. John Hughes**, missionary at Gilbertsville and Exeter, Otsego county.
- * **Rev. Andrew Hull**, missionary at Oneonta and Otego, Otsego county.
- Rev. Aaron Humphrey**.
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- Rev. Lot Jones**, missionary in the city of New-York, in charge of the Mission Church of the Epiphany.
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- * **Rev. John F. Messenger**, teacher, Brooklyn.
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- Rev. James Milnor, D. D.**, rector of St. George's Church, New-York.
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- Rev. William W. Niles**, residing at Ravenswood, Queen's county.
- * **Rev. John Noble**, missionary at Fonda, Montgomery county.
- * **Rev. Louis L. Noble**, deacon.

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 * Rev. Isaac Pardee, assistant minister of St. Thomas' Church, New-York.
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 Rev. Isaac Peck, assistant minister of Christ Church, New-York.
 Rev. Benjamin O. Peers, editor of the General Protestant Episcopal Sunday School Union, New-York.
 * Rev. Hewlett R. Peters, rector of St. John's Church, Ogdensburgh, St. Lawrence county.
 Rev. Joseph F. Phillips, rector of St. Luke's Church, Catskill, Greene county.
 Rev. Samuel Phinney, principal of the Orange county institution, Newburgh, Orange county.
 * Rev. Frederick W. I. Pollard, deacon.
 Rev. Alonzo Potter, D. D., professor of moral philosophy and belles lettres, in Union college, Schenectady.
 Rev. Horatio Potter, D. D., rector of St. Peter's Church, Albany.
 Rev. Jesse Pound, missionary in the charge of the mission Church of the Holy Evangelists, New-York.
 Rev. William Powell, rector of St. Peter's Church, Westchester, and principal of an academy, West-Farms, Westchester county.
 Rev. Joseph H. Price, rector of St. Stephen's Church, New-York.
 Rev. Lucius M. Purdy, missionary at Hampton, Washington county.
 Rev. Albin Kendall Putnam, rector of Trinity Church, Potsdam, St. Lawrence county.
 Rev. Smith Pyne, rector of St. John's Church, Yonkers, including a chapel at Tuckahoe, Westchester county.
 Rev. Joseph Ransom, missionary at Westford and Cherry-Valley, Otsego county.
 Rev. John Reed, D. D., rector of Christ Church, Poughkeepsie, Dutchess county.
 Rev. Thomas C. Reed, professor of political economy in Union College, Schenectady.
 Rev. James C. Richmond, rector of St. Michael's, St. James', and St. Mary's Churches, and chaplain to the Bloomingdale Asylum, New-York.
 Rev. William Richmond, rector of Zion Church, New-York.
 Rev. Richard Salmon, residing at Houston, Texas.
 * Rev. George Sayres, missionary at Cairo, Greene county.
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 Rev. John Scovill.
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 Rev. Richard C. Shimeall, rector of Trinity Church, Brooklyn.
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 * Rev. John A. Spooner, missionary at Glen's Falls, Warren county, and Sandy Hill and Fort Edward, Washington county.

- Rev. Cyrus Stebbins, D. D., missionary at Waterford, Saratoga county, and Cohoes, Albany county.
- * Rev. Benjamin W. Stone, deacon.
- Rev. James Sunderland, teacher, New-York.
- * Rev. Henry W. Sweetzer, rector of St. Andrew's Church, Walden, Orange county.
- Rev. William Tatham.
- Rev. Thomas H. Taylor, D. D., rector of Grace Church, New-York.
- * Rev. Anthony Ten Broeck, rector of the Church of the Nativity, New-York.
- Rev. William B. Thomas, rector of Christ Church, Duaneburgh, Schenectady county.
- Rev. James Thompson, missionary at Durham, Greene county.
- Rev. Frederick T. Tiffany, rector of Christ Church, Cooperstown, Otsego county.
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- Rev. Francis Tremayne.
- Rev. Samuel H. Turner, D. D., professor of Biblical learning and the interpretation of Scripture in the General Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, New-York.
- Rev. Alvi T. Twing, missionary at West Troy, Albany county.
- Rev. Libertus Van Bokkelen, deacon, instructor in St. Paul's College, College Point, Queen's county.
- * Rev. Robert B. Van Kleeck, rector of St. Paul's Church, Troy.
- Rev. John A. Vaughan, D. D., Secretary and General agent of the Foreign Committee of the Board of Missions of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, New-York.
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- Rev. Jonathan M. Wainwright, D. D., an assistant minister of Trinity Church, New-York.
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- * Rev. William Walton, rector of St. Paul's Church, Tompkinsville, Richmond county.
- Rev. Thomas Warner.
- Rev. Salmon Wheaton, D. D., rector of St. John's Church, Johnstown, Fulton county.
- Rev. Ebenezer Williams, rector of St. Philip's Church, Phillipstown, and St. Mary's Church in the Highlands, Cold Spring, Putnam county.
- Rev. Eleazar Williams, deacon.
- Rev. Peter Williams, (a coloured man) rector of St. Philip's Church, New-York, the congregation of which is composed of coloured persons.—Total 191.

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" Amos B. Beach,	" William C. Cooley,
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" Reuben Hubbard,	" Reuben Sherwood, D. D.,
" Andrew Hull,	" Richard C. Shimeall,
" Joseph Hunter,	" Hugh Smith, D. D.,
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" William L. Johnson,	" Henry W. Sweetzer,
" Charles Jones,	" Thomas House Taylor, D. D.,
" Lot Jones,	" Anthony Ten Broeck,
" Thomas S. Judd,	" Frederick T. Tiffany,
" John B. Kerfoot,	" Samuel H. Turner, D. D.,
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" William Morris,	" Salmon Wheaton, D. D.,
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 " *Trinity Church*, Homer R. Phelps, Edward Bateman, Matthew Henry Webster.

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HUDSON, *Christ Church*, Cyrus Curtiss, James Fleming, Charles Darling

DUTCHESS COUNTY.

FISHKILL, *Trinity Church*, Gulian C. Verplanck.
 FISHKILL LANDING, *St. Anna's Church*, Robert Bayard, William H. B. Churchill.

HYDE PARK, *St James' Church*, John Johnston.
 POUGHKEEPSIE, *Christ Church*, William T. Belden, John L. Fonda.
 WAPPINGER'S CREEK, *Zion Church*, A. S. Mesier.

GREENE COUNTY.

CATTSKILL, *St. Luke's Church*, Isaac Van Loan, Smith W. Bullock.
 Charles C. W. Cleaveland, Charles Willard.
 GREENEVILLE, *Christ Church*, Reuben/Rundle, jun. Hardy Rundle.
 OAK HILL, *St Paul's Church*, Joseph D. Murphy.

List of Lay Delegates.

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KING'S COUNTY.

- BROOKLYN, *Christ Church*, Richard M. White.
- " *St. Ann's Church*, Thomas I. Chew, Hosea Webster.
- " *St. John's Church*, Ezekiel Ostrander.
- " *St. Mary's Church*, John Hammel.
- " *Trinity Church*, Philip Reid.
- FLATBUSH, *St. Paul's Church*, Matthew Clarkson, Robert I. Crommelin,
James Mowatt.
- WILLIAMSBURG, *St. Mark's Church*, J. J. Diossy, Nicholas Haight.

NEW-YORK CITY AND COUNTY.

- " *All Saints' Church*, James Burges, William Stebbins, John B. Hunter, John H. Williams.
- " *Church of the Annunciation*, Henry Ritter, Charles N. S. Rowland, Cornelius Oakley.
- " *Calvary Church*, William H. Hobart, M. D., Napoleon B. Mountfort.
- " *Christ Church*, Anson Baker, Matthew Keeler, Samuel Jones Willis.
- " *Grace Church*, Thomas L. Wells, Isaac A. Johnson.
- " *Church of the Nativity*, Joseph F. Lippitt, Thomas B. Lippitt, Stafford Wilson, Jacob Moore, jun.
- " *St. Bartholomew's Church*, Samuel Jones, J. W. Mersereau, S. Cambreleng, William L. Rushton.
- " *St. Clement's Church*, S. B. Romaine, Andrew Pollock, William H. Mott.
- " *St. George's Church*, John Stearns, M. D., Brittain L. Woolley, William Whitlock, jun.
- " *St. Luke's Church*, Henry I. Seaman, William Nelson, J. B. Wood.
- " *St. Mark's Church*, John L. Lawrence, Isaac Carow, James Heard, John W. Mitchell.
- " *St. Michael's Church*, James F. Depeyster, Frederick Depeyster, James McDonald, M. D.
- " *St. Peter's Church*, Clement C. Moore, Floyd Smith, Edmund Hurry, N. Bradner Smith.
- " *St. Stephen's Church*, J. W. Dominick, Benjamin Loder.
- " *St. Thomas' Church*, David Hadlen, Morris Robinson.
- " *Trinity Church, with St. Paul's and St. John's Chapels*, Nehemiah Rogers, Thomas L. Ogden, William Johnson, William H. Harison.
- " *Zion Church*, Peter A. Jay, Smith Barker, Robert B. Cuthbert.

ORANGE COUNTY.

- NEWBURGH, *St. George's Church*, Joseph Hoffman, Odell S. Hathaway.
- WALDEN, *St. Andrew's Church*, Nicholas J. Bogert, George Weller Thomas Colden.

OTSEGO COUNTY.

- COOPERSTOWN, *Christ Church*, Erasmus D. Richardson.
- UNADILLA, *St. Matthew's Church*, Isaac Hayes.

PUTNAM COUNTY.

- PATTERSON, *Christ Church*, John Jennings.

QUEEN'S COUNTY.

- ASTORIA, *St. George's Church*, James Perrot.
- COLD SPAING HARBOR, *St. John's Church*, Charles Hewlett, Walter R. Jones.
- FLUSHING, *St. George's Church*, Isaac Peck, James Scott.
- HEMPSTEAD, *St. George's Church, with Trinity Chapel, Rockaway*, John Bedell, Samuel L. Seaman.
- JAMAICA, *Grace Church*, Walter Nichols, William Betts.
- MANHASSET, *Christ Church*, Daniel E. Smith, Robert W. Mott.
- NEWTOWN, *St. James' Church*, George J. Rapelye.

RENSSELAER COUNTY.

HOOSICK FALLS, *St. Mark's Church*, George M. Tibbitts.
 TROT, *Christ Church*, Elias Lasell, Stephen E. Warren.
 " *St. John's Church*, John H. Willard.
 " *St. Paul's Church*, Nathan B. Warren.

RICHMOND COUNTY.

RICHMOND, *St. Andrew's Church, with Trinity Chapel, Factoryville*,
 James Guyon, J. W. Johnson.
 TOMPKINSVILLE, *St. Paul's Church*, Archibald Gordon.

SCHENECTADY COUNTY.

SCHENECTADY, *St. George's Church*, David Hearsey.

ULSTER COUNTY.

KINGSTON, *St. John's Church*, Charles Broom.
 MARLBOROUGH, *Christ Church*, Joseph Hepworth.
 ULSTER, *Trinity Church*, Stephen Kellogg.

WARREN COUNTY.

GLEN'S FALLS, *Church of the Messiah*, William C. Carter.

WASHINGTON COUNTY.

WHITEHALL, *St. Paul's Church*, Warren F. Hitchcock.

WESTCHESTER COUNTY.

BEDFORD, *St. Matthew's Church*, Samuel Brown, Samuel H. Miller.
 EASTCHESTER, *St. Paul's Church*, W. A. Spencer.
 GREENBURGH, *Zion Church*, Washington Irving.
 MAMARONECK, *St. Thomas' Church*, Benjamin H. Purdy, Benjamin M.
 Brown, Garrit Vermilye.
 NEW ROCHELLE, *Trinity Church*, Philip A. Davenport, Robert Bolton, jun.,
 George Case, Philip R. Underhill.
 PERKSKILL, *St. Peter's Church*, James G. Clonney, Isaac Seymour.
 RYE, *Christ Church*, Josiah Bulkley, William Bush, John H. Osborn.
 SING SING, *St. Paul's Church*, John Strang, Joseph Hunt, Marlborough
 Churchill.
 SOMERS, *St. Luke's Church*, Joshua Purdy.
 TARRYTOWN, *Christ Church*, Ebenezer Irving, George Jones.
 WESTCHESTER, *St. Peter's Church*, Francis Barretto.
 WHITE PLAINS, *Grace Church*, Richard Jarvis.
 YONKERS, *St. John's Church, with a Chapel at Tuckahoe*, Horace D. Wells.

The following Clergymen, entitled to seats, were not present at the Convention ;—

REV. William Baker,
 " William Barlow,
 " Lewis P. Bayard, D. D.,
 " William H. A. Bissell,
 " Johnson A. Brayton,
 " Caleb Clapp,
 " Joseph H. Coit,
 " William A. Curtis,
 " Edward Davis,
 " John Dowdney,
 " Manton Eastburn, D. D.,
 " George B. Eastman,
 " John M. Garfield,
 " Sturges Gilbert,
 " Asa Griswold,
 " Caleb S. Henry, D. D.,

" John Hughes,
 " Evan M. Johnson,
 " Ravaud Kearny,
 " Isaac Peck,
 " Horatio Potter, D. D.,
 " Lucius M. Purdy,
 " Thomas C. Reed,
 " Charles Seabury,
 " Daniel Shepard,
 " Jesse A. Spencer,
 " Cyrus Stebbins, D. D.,
 " William B. Thomas,
 " James Thompson,
 " Libertus Van Bokkelen,
 " Antoine Verren.

The following Clergymen, not members of the Convention, were present at its sittings:—

Right Rev. Philander Chase, D. D., of Illinois.

“ “ William R. Whittingham, D. D., of Maryland.

Rev. Lawson Carter,

“ Charles W. Hackley,

“ Thomas Mallaby,

“ Moses Marcus,

“ John F. Messenger,

“ George W. Nichols,

“ Samuel Nichols,

“ Aldert Smedes,

“ James Sunderland,

“ John A. Vaughan, D. D.,

“ Joseph H. Clinch, of the Diocese of Massachusetts.

“ Benj. M. Yarrington, of the Diocese of Connecticut.

“ Isaac Swart,

“ Gordon Winslow, } of the Diocese of Western New-York.

“ Robert Davies,

“ Richard Channing Moore, } of the Diocese of New-Jersey.

“ John M. Ward,

“ N. Sayre Harris, of the Diocese of Pennsylvania.

“ Timothy Minor, of the Diocese of Illinois.



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PROCEEDINGS OF THE CONVENTION.

NEW-YORK, WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 1840.

THIS being the day fixed by the Constitution of the Diocese of New-York, for the meeting of the Annual Convention of the same, the Right Rev. Benjamin Tredwell Onderdonk, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese, with a large number of the Clergy and Laity, assembled at 10 o'clock, A. M., in St. Paul's Chapel, in the City of New-York, the place appointed by the Bishop for the meeting.

Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. Thomas House Taylor, D.D., assisted by the Rev. William I. Kip, who read the lessons. The Ante-Communion Service was read by the Rt. Rev. Philander Chase, D. D., Bishop of Illinois; the Rt. Rev. William R. Whittingham, D. D., Bishop of Maryland, reading the Epistle and Gospel. A charge to the Clergy was then delivered by the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of the Diocese, who also administered the Holy Sacrament of the Lord's Supper, in which he was assisted by the Rt. Rev. Drs. Chase and Whittingham, and the Rev. Drs. Lyell and Milnor.

The Convention was then called to order by the Bishop, who announced to the House the presence of the Bishops of Illinois and Maryland. Whereupon, on motion, it was

Resolved, That the Rt. Rev. Dr. Chase, of Illinois, and the Rt. Rev. Dr. Whittingham, of Maryland, be invited to attend the sittings of this Convention, and that chairs be provided for them on the right and left of the Rt. Rev. President; whereupon, Bishop Chase was introduced and took his seat.*

The Secretary of the last Convention then proceeded, under the Bishop's direction, to call the names of such of the Clergy of the Diocese as by the Constitution are entitled to seats in the Convention, when the following gentlemen answered to their names and took their seats as members: viz.

* Bishop Whittingham was obliged to leave town immediately.

Rt. Rev. Benjamin T. Onderdonk, D. D., Rev. Hiram Adams, Jasper Adams, D. D., Norman H. Adams, George B. Andrews, Henry Anthon, D. D., Pierre Teller Babbit, Deodatus Babcock, Lewis P. W. Balch, William S. Bartlett, Amos B. Beach, William Berrian, D. D., Robert Bolton, John Brown, David I. Burger, James D. Carder, William M. Carmichael, D. D., Peter S. Chauncey, Freeman Clarkson, Thomas W. Coit, D. D., James W. Cooke, Richard Cox, William Creighton, D. D., Benjamin C. Cutler, D. D., Palmer Dyer, Benjamin Evans, George W. Fash, John Murray Forbes, Edward K. Fowler, Samuel Fuller, Kingston Goddard, Frederick J. Goodwin, Benjamin I. Haight, Charles H. Halsey, Robert W. Harris, Abram B. Hart, Samuel M. Haskins, Frederick W. Hatch, Francis L. Hawks, D. D., Edward Y. Higbee, Origen P. Holcomb, Reuben Hubbard, Andrew Hull, Joseph Hunter, Edward Ingersoll, Hiram Jelliff, William L. Johnson, Charles Jones, Lot Jones, Thomas S. Judd, John B. Kerfoot, Wm. Ingraham Kip, Thomas Lyell, D. D., John McVickar, D. D., Edward N. Mead, James Milnor, D. D., David Moore, Isaac Purdee, Hewlett R. Peters, Joseph F. Phillips, Jesse Pound, William Powell, Joseph H. Price, Albin K. Putnam, Smith Pyne, Joseph Ransom, John Reed, D. D., James C. Richmond, William Richmond, George Sayres, Samuel Seabury, D. D., Robert Shaw, George A. Shelton, Isaac Sherwood, Reuben Sherwood, D. D., Richard C. Shimeall, Hugh Smith, D. D., Orsamus H. Smith, Henry W. Sweetzer, Thomas House Taylor, D. D., Anthony Ten Broeck, Frederick T. Tiffany, Samuel H. Turner, D. D., Alvi T. Twing, Robert B. Van Kleeck, Jonathan M. Wainwright, D. D., William F. Walker, William H. Walter, William Walton, and Ebenezer Williams.

The Parishes of the Diocese were then called in order, when the following gentlemen appeared as Lay Delegates, presented their certificates, and took their seats : viz. from

COUNTIES.	CHURCHES.	DELEGATES.
Albany,	St. Paul's, Albany,	H. Wells.
	St. Peter's, "	J. W. Netterville.
	Trinity, Rensselaerville,	James Taylor.
Columbia,	Christ, Hudson,	Anthony E. Burt.
		Cyrus Curtiss.
		James Fleming.
Dutchess,	Trinity, Fishkill,	Charles Darling.
	St. Anna's, " Land-	Gulian C. Verplanck.
		[ing, Robert Bayard.
		Wm. H. B. Churchill.
	St. James', Hyde Park,	John Johnston.
	Christ, Poughkeepsie,	William T. Belden.
		John L. Fonda.
	Zion, Wappinger's Creek,	A. S. Mesier.

COUNTIES.	CHURCHES.	DELEGATES.
Greene,	St. Luke's, Catskill,	Isaac Van Loan. Smith W. Bollock. Charles C. W. Cleaveland. Charles Wil'ard.
	Christ, Greeneville,	Reuben Rundle, jr. Hardy Runcle.
King's,	St. Paul's, Oakhill,	Joseph D. Murphy.
	Christ, Brooklyn,	Richard M. White.
	St. Ann's "	Thomas I. Chew. Hosea Webster.
	St. John's "	Ezekiel Ostrander.
	St. Mary's, "	John Hammel.
	Trinity, "	Philip Reid.
	St. Paul's, Flatbush,	Matthew Clarkson. Robert J. Cronmelyn. James Mowatt.
New-York,	St. Mark's Williamsburgh,	J. J. Diossy.
	All Saints', New-York,	Nicholas Haight. James Burges. William Stebbins. John B. Hunter.
	Annunciation, "	John H. Williams. Henry Ritter. Chas. N. S Rowland.
	Calvary, "	Cornelius Oakley.
	Christ, "	William H. Hobart, M. D. Matthew Keeler.
	Grace, "	Samuel Jones Willis. Thomas L. Wells.
	Nativity "	Isaac A. Johnson. Joseph F. Lippitt. Thomas B. Lippitt. Stafford Wilson.
	St. Bartholomew's, "	Jacob Moore, jr. Samuel Jones. J. W. Mersereau. S. Cambreleng.
	St. George's, "	Wm. L. Rushton. John Stearns, M. D. Brittain L. Woolley.
	St. Luke's, "	Henry I. Seaman. William Nelson.
	St. Mark's, "	J. B. Wood. John L. Lawrence. Isaac Carow. James Heard. John W. Mitchell.

COUNTIES.	CHURCHES.	DELEGATES.
New-York.	St. Michael's,	" James F. De Peyster. Frederick De Peyster. James M'Donald, M. D.
	St. Peter's,	" Clement C. Moore. Floyd Smith. Edmund Hurry. N. Bradner Smith.
	St. Stephen's,	" J. W. Dominick. Benjamin Loder.
	St. Thomas', Trinity. with St. Paul's and St. John's Chapels,	" David Hadden. Nehemiah Rogers. Thomas L. Ogden. William Johnson. Wm. H. Harison.
	Zion,	" Peter A. Jay. Robert B. Cuthbert.
Orange,	St. George's, Newburgh,	Joseph Hoffman.
	St. Andrew's, Walden,	George Weller. Thomas Colden.
Otsego, Queens,	Christ, Cooperstown,	Erasmus D. Richardson.
	St. George's, Astoria,	James Perrot.
	St. John's, Cold Spring Harbor,	Charles Hewlett.
	St. George's Flushing,	Isaac Peck. James Scott.
	Grace, Jamaica,	Walter Nichols. William Betts.
Rensselaer,	Christ, Manhasset,	Daniel E. Smith.
	Christ, Troy,	Elias Lasell. Stephen E. Warren.
	St. Paul's, "	Nathan B. Warren.
Richmond,	St. Andrew's, with Trini- ty Chapel, Factory- ville,	James Guyon. J. W. Johnson.
	St. Paul's, Tompkinsville,	Archibald Gordon.
Schenectady,	St. George's, Schenecta- [dy,	David Hearsey.
Ulster,	Christ, Marlborough,	Joseph Hepworth.
	Trinity, Ulster,	Stephen Kellogg.
Westchester,	St. Matthew's, Bedford,	Samuel Brown. Samuel H. Miller.
	St. Paul's, Eastchester,	W. A. Spencer.
	Zion, Greenburgh,	Washington Irving.
	St. Thomas', Mamaro- neck.	Benj. H. Purdy. Benj. M. Brown. Garrit Vermilye.

COUNTIES.	CHURCHES.	DELEGATES.
	Trinity, New Rochelle,	Philip A. Davenport.
		Robert Bolton, jr.
	St. Peter's, Peekskill,	James B. Clonney.
		Isaac Seymour.
	Christ, Rye,	William Bush.
		John H. Osborn.
	St. Paul's, Sing Sing,	Joseph Hunt.
		Marlborough Churchill.
	Christ, Tarrytown,	Ebenezer Irving.
		George Jones.
	St. Peter's, Westchester,	Francis Baretto.
	Grace, White Pains.	Richard Jarvis.
	St. John's (with a Cha- pel at Tuckahoe,) Yon- kers,	Horace D. Wells.

The Convention then proceeded pursuant to Art. VI. of the Constitution, to the appointment of a Secretary. On motion, a vote by ballot was unanimously dispensed with, when the Rev. Benjamin I. Haight, who had been previously nominated, was unanimously chosen.

The Secretary announced to the Convention that he had appointed the Rev. Anthony Ten Broeck, his Assistant, it being inconvenient to the former Assistant, the Rev. Mr. Balch, to serve.

The Bishop announced that by the 16th. Rule of Order, Clergymen belonging to this Diocese, but not entitled to seats in the Convention, Clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church not belonging to this Diocese, and Professors and Students of Theology in the Protestant Episcopal Church, were admitted to the sittings of this Convention. Accordingly several gentlemen handed in their names to the Secretary, and took their seats.

On motion, the Rules of Order of the last Convention were referred to a Committee of three for revision: Rev. Messrs. Haight and Cooke, and Mr. B. M. Brown.

A Communication from the Secretary was presented, and read as follows:

COMMUNICATION.

The Undersigned, as Secretary of the Convention of the Diocese, begs leave to submit the following Report and Communication, as to certain duties committed to him by the Constitution and Canons and by Resolution of the last Convention.

Agreeably to the order of the last Convention, the Journal with the Constitution and Canons, was printed. It was published within one month after the copy for the appendix was furnished to the Secretary; and at once distributed by

mail in the following manner: one copy was sent to every Clergyman in the Diocese; one to every Lay Delegate in attendance at the last Convention; and one to every parish not represented in the last Convention. No *parcels* were put up to be sent to the parishes by private opportunity, the experience of past years having proved this to be labour lost and money wasted; but when they have been called for, the usual number of copies have been given at the office of publication. Out of the Diocese copies were sent to the several Bishops and Secretaries of Convention as the 5th Canon directs. The number of copies remaining on hand is about 300.

By the 6th Article of the Constitution it is made the duty of the Secretary to preserve the Journals and *records* of Convention. As the Minutes are necessarily destroyed in the printing of the Journal, there can be no Record of the proceedings preserved unless it is written anew; and as such transcript has not hitherto been made, the Secretary, although deeming it a matter of great importance, did not feel justified in incurring the expense of having it made. He respectfully asks for instruction on this point.

And here he would state that so far as he knows there are no Records of the doings of past Conventions, and no regular sets of the journals, belonging to the Diocese. Of the latter the only ones in his possession have been recently bound, and reach no further back than the year 1829. This is a matter, in his humble estimation, requiring the immediate action of Convention. A Diocese like that of New-York ought not to be without its complete series of authentic records to which at any time reference could at once be made.

As the Secretary is directed by Canon 5, Sec. 2, to request of the Secretaries of the different Conventions, copies of their respective journals in exchange, he presumes it to be the intention of the Convention that these Journals when received shall be preserved with the papers, &c. of the Diocese. If this be so, it would be well to have those of each year bound; loose pamphlets being very easily mislaid or destroyed. The Secretary begs instruction on this point also.

In conclusion, the Undersigned would state that he should not have troubled the Convention with this Communication but for the difficulty which he found in determining with precision what were his duties, and the manner in which they should be performed. To him, the several points alluded to, seem to be of sufficient moment to claim the consideration of this body, which he would, accordingly, with all respect, solicit.

BENJAMIN I. HAIGHT,
Secretary of the Convention.

On motion, the same was referred to a Committee of three: Rev. Dr. Taylor, Rev. Lot Jones, and Mr. William H. Harison.

The Right Rev. President then announced the following standing Committees:

ON THE INCORPORATION OF CHURCHES.

William Johnson, Esq., Rev. William L. Johnson, Hon. Samuel Jones.

ON THE DIOCESAN FUND

Rev. Orsamus H. Smith, Rev. William Richmond, Messrs. William H. Harison, Isaac Peck, and the Treasurer.

ON THE TREASURER'S REPORT.

Messrs. Isaac Carow, Stephen Cambreling, Francis Barretto.

ON THE THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

Rev. Dr. Creighton, Rev. John Brown, Messrs. Gulian C. Verplank, James McDonald, M. D., George Jones.

The Report of the Committee on the Constitution and Canons, which had been printed, was then presented, and, on motion, made the order of the day for twelve o'clock to-morrow.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE CONSTITUTION AND CANONS OF THIS DIOCESE.

The Committee on the Constitution and Canons of the Church in this Diocese, appointed by the Convention of 1838, and continued by the Convention of 1839, respectfully report, for the consideration of the Convention, the following resolutions; viz.

Resolved, That the following alterations in the Constitution are approved of, and ordered to lie over to the next Convention: viz.

The title to be, *The Constitution of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of New-York.*

Article first to be so altered, in the first sentence, as to read, *there shall be a Convention of the Church in this Diocese, &c.*

The same article to be so altered as to insert after the words, "for the time being," the following words: *or in case of his inability to act, or of a vacancy in the episcopate, by the Standing Committee.*

Article second to be altered by reading, instead of "or when applied to for that purpose," the words, *and shall do so when applied to for that purpose.*

The same article to be altered by substituting the word *episcopate*, for the words "Episcopal Chair."

Article third to be so altered as to read as follows:

The Convention shall be composed of the Bishop of the Diocese, and the Assistant Bishop of the same, when there is one; all Clergymen canonically connected with this Diocese, who are Rectors or Assistant Ministers of Parishes in union with the Convention of this Diocese, and have been instituted into their respective offices according to the "Office of Institution of Ministers," set forth by the General Convention; all Clergymen canonically connected with this Diocese and employed therein, and under its authority, as missionaries; all other Clergymen who shall have been canonically connected with it as Presbyters or Deacons, for at least one year next preceding any meeting of the Convention; and of Lay Members consisting of one or more delegates from each church, to be chosen by the Vestry or congregation thereof.

Article fourth to have added to it, at its close, the following words: *or in case of his inability to act, or a vacancy of the episcopate, by the Standing Committee.*

Resolved, That the following alterations be made in the Canons:

CANON I.—SECT. I.

For "General Seminaries of Learning, duly incorporated," read *other Seminaries of Learning.*

CANON IV.

In the title, and in Section I, omit the words, "Protestant Episcopal."

CANON IX.—SECT. I.

After the word "meeting," add the words *next preceding a stated meeting of the General Convention.*

Add to the section at its close, the following words: *Which deputies and provisional deputies shall hold their respective stations until successors are appointed; and*

shall be the deputies or provisional deputies for any General Convention which may be held during their continuance in office.

Add the following as Section 2, altering accordingly the numbering of the following sections :

Sect. 2. Should a vacancy occur, by resignation, removal from the Diocese, death or otherwise, among the deputies, or provisional deputies, between the stated times of election, the vacancy shall be supplied by any Convention, during or prior to which such vacancy shall occur.

In section 3, (to be altered to section 3,) for the clause commencing with "on some day," and ending with "before such meeting," substitute the words, at least two days before the meeting of the General Convention.

In the same section, after the words "representation of the Diocese," add the words, *And the Bishop shall, in like manner, designate from the same list of provisional deputies, one or more, as the case may be, to supply any deficiency in the representation of this Diocese which may, in any way, occur during a meeting of a General Convention.*

Omit section fourth.

CANON XIV.—SECT. II.

For "Secretary of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies," in both places where the words occur, read *Treasurer of the General Convention.*

For the words "meeting of the General Convention," in both places where they occur, read the words, *meeting of the same.*

CANON XVIII.

After the words, "both orders," add the words *taken separately.*

The Committee would farther respectfully recommend that (the above, or other alterations seeming good to the Convention, being made) the whole body of Canons of this Diocese, thus altered be re-enacted, so as to be published as an entire code; and also that a complete Constitution, with the above or other amendments seeming good to the Convention, and otherwise consisting of the present Constitution, be approved of, and lie over to the next Convention, as a newly enacted Constitution of this Diocese.

In behalf of the Committee,

BENJAMIN T. ONDERDONK, *Chairman.*

A memorial of the Board of Managers of the Education and Missionary Society of the Diocese was presented, and on motion, referred to a committee of five: Rev. Dr. McVickar, Rev. Messrs. Haight and Kip, John Stearns, M. D., and Mr. T. L. Ogden.

The Convention then Adjourned until to-morrow morning, at 9 o'clock.

THURSDAY MORNING, 9 O'CLOCK.

The Convention met. Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. James W. Cooke, Assistant minister of St. George's Church, New-York; after which the Bishop took the chair.

At the calling of the roll, the following Clergymen not present yesterday answered to their names, viz. Rev. John W. Brown, James P. F. Clarke, William C. Cooley, Sheldon Davis, Alfred H. Partridge, Alonzo Potter, D. D., John A. Spooner, and Salmon Wheaton, D. D.

Also the following Lay Delegates :

COUNTIES.	CHURCHES.	DELEGATES.
Albany, New-York,	St. Peter's, Albany,	Sanford Cobb.
	Calvary, New-York,	Napoleon B. Mountfort.
	Christ, " "	Anson Baker.
	Zion, " "	Smith Barker.
Orange,	St. George's, Newburgh,	Odell S. Hathaway.
	St. Andrew's, Walden,	Nicholas I. Bogert.
Rensselaer,	St. John's, Troy,	John H. Willard.
Washington,	St. Paul's, Whitehall,	Warren F. Hitchcock.
Westchester,	Christ, Rye,	Josiah Bulkley.
	St. Paul's, Sing Sing,	John Strang.

The following gentlemen then presented certificates, answered to their names, and took their seats.

COUNTIES.	CHURCHES.	DELEGATES.
New-York,	St. Clement's, New-York	S. B. Romaine.
		Andrew Pollock.
		William H. Mott.
Otsego, Putnam, Queen's,	St. Matthew's, Unadilla,	Isaac Hayes.
	Christ, Patterson,	John Jennings.
	St. John's, Cold Spring [Harbour.	Walter R. Jones.
	St. George's, Hempstead,	John Bedell.
Ulster, Westchester,	Christ, Manhasset,	Samuel L. Seaman.
	St. James', Newtown,	Robert W. Mott.
	St. John's, Kingston,	George I. Rapelye.
	Trinity, New-Rochelle,	Charles Broom.
	St. Luke's, Somers,	George Case.
		Philip R. Underhill.
		Joshua Purdy.

The minutes of yesterday's session were read and approved.

On motion of Rev. Dr. Milnor, the Convention took a recess of ten minutes to prepare their ballots for the Standing Committee, and the Delegates to the General Convention.

Upon resuming business, the Convention proceeded to the election, when the following gentlemen were declared to be duly elected :—

STANDING COMMITTEE.

Rev. Drs. Berrian, Lyell, M'Vickar, and Taylor, of the Clergy; and Messrs. Thomas, L. Ogden, Floyd Smith, Murray Hoffman, and Gulian C. Verplanck, of the Laity.

DELEGATES TO THE GENERAL CONVENTION.

Rev. Drs. Lyell, Milnor, Anthon, and Hawks, of the Clergy, and Messrs. Peter A. Jay, Thomas L. Ogden, Stephen Warren, and James Emmott, of the Laity.

SUPPLEMENTAL DELEGATES.

Rev. Drs. Eastburn, M'Vickar, Berrian, and Bayard, of the Clergy, and Messrs. Floyd Smith, Gulian C. Verplanck, William Johnson and Samuel Jones, of the Laity.

The Committee on the Incorporation of Churches, presented the following

REPORT.

The Committee to whom was referred the certificates of the Incorporation of Churches claiming to be admitted into union with the Convention, respectfully report :

That they have examined the certificates submitted to them, and find the same correct, and that the following Churches have been regularly incorporated, according to law, viz :

Trinity Church in the City of Albany.

St. Mark's Church, in the Village of Hoosick Falls, Rensselaer county.

Church of the Cross, in the Town of Ticonderoga, County of Essex.

Saint Philip's Church, in the Highlands.

Saint Mary's Church, in the Highlands, Putnam county; and

The Church of the Messiah, in the Village of Glen's Falls, county of Warren.

All which is respectfully submitted,

WM. JOHNSON.

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New-York, October 1, 1840.

The question being put separately upon the admission into union with the Convention of each of the Churches reported by the Committee to be regularly incorporated, they were received by the Convention, and the following Lay Delegates appeared and took their seats.

COUNTIES.	CHURCHES.	DELEGATES.
Albany,	Trinity, Albany,	Homer R. Phelps. Edward Bateman. Matthew H. Webster.
Rensselaer,	St. Mark's, Hoosick Falls,	George M. Tibbits.

The hour having arrived for the Order of the Day, on motion of Rev. Dr. Milnor, the same was postponed until the delivery of the Episcopal Address, which was then read by the Bishop, as follows :

ADDRESS.

MY BRETHREN OF THE CLERGY AND LAITY,—

Through the good providence of God, I have been enabled to pass a year of labor, not exceeded, I believe, by that of any year, even before the division of the diocese. I have been much cheered therein, however, by evidences, which I would gratefully record, of an increased measure of spiritual, and considering the state of things in the country, I think I may add, a good measure of temporal, prosperity throughout the diocese. The number of confirmations has been greater than in any year, save one, before the division, and the average number on each occasion was never but once greater.

One very clear indication of increased spirituality is the gratifying increase of attention to the due celebration of the Holy Days, and the observance of Prayer Days. The season of Lent, and especially Passion Week, were never, I believe, better observed in the Diocese, or attended with clearer indications of the divine blessing, than in the past year.* God grant that these may be an earnest of still better things for the time to come!

I proceed to the report of my episcopal acts, and of the duties discharged in my various journeys, through the year.

Twentieth Sunday after Trinity, October 13, 1839, in Zion Church, *New-York*, admitted the Rev. Alexander H. Cull, Deacon, missionary at Malone, Franklin county, to the Priesthood; which station, however, has since been relinquished by him. I had the pleasure, on this occasion, of the company of my Right Rev. Brother, the Missionary Bishop for Arkansas and the Southwest, who did me the favor of preaching, and taking part in the ordination services.

Thursday 17, at Whitehall, *Washington county*, while on my way to the northern part of the Diocese, made a pastoral visit to a sick member of St. Paul's Church.

Twenty-first Sunday after Trinity, October 20, in Trinity

* One church in the city of New-York was open *daily* during the whole season of Lent, with a large attendance at *Prayers only*. The rector of a country parish in the neighborhood of New-York informs me that he has reason to believe that a considerable accession to the communion on Easter Day, was mainly owing to the divine blessing on the Daily Prayers, unaccompanied with sermon or lecture, during Passion Week.

Church, Potsdam, *St. Lawrence county*, admitted to the Priesthood the Rev. Albin K. Putnam, Deacon, the minister of the parish.

In the afternoon baptized 3 infants, and confirmed 4 persons, and preached again in the evening.

Tuesday, 22, married a couple in Plattsburgh, *Clinton county*.

Wednesday, 23, confirmed 4 in Trinity Church, in the morning, and preached there again in the evening.

Twenty-second Sunday after Trinity, October 27, in St. Andrew's Church, Walden, *Orange county*, admitted the minister of the parish, the Rev. Henry W. Sweetzer, Deacon, to the Priesthood, and preached again in the afternoon.

In the evening, preached in St. James' Church, Goshen.

The canons provide that when a candidate is recommended for orders by the Standing Committee of a Diocese destitute of a Bishop, and he shall have resided for the greater part of the last three years within the Diocese of a Bishop, he shall apply to such Bishop for ordination. Such were the circumstances of the case of Thomas J. Wyatt, a candidate in the vacant Diocese of Maryland, and an alumnus of the General Theological Seminary. He accordingly, having resided the greater part of the last three years in this Diocese, applied to me for orders. By an arrangement with the Standing Committee of that Diocese, and the Rector of St. Paul's Church, Baltimore, who is the father of the candidate, the ordination was held in that Church, on the Twenty-third Sunday after Trinity, November 3; and at the same time, the Rev. Orlando Hutton, Deacon, of the same Diocese, was ordained a Priest—he having applied to me for that purpose, by permission of the Standing Committee of his Diocese. In the afternoon, I preached again in St. Paul's, and in the evening in Christ Church, in the same city.

The absence thus occasioned from my Diocese was prolonged in consequence of a particular request from the Rector of St. Paul's Church, Alexandria, District of Columbia, formerly of this Diocese, that I would pass a Sunday in that city. Accordingly, having, on the Annual Thanksgiving Day of our Church, Thursday, November 5, preached in St. Paul's, Baltimore, I performed the same duty, on the Twenty-fourth Sunday after Trinity, November 10, in the morning, in St. Paul's Church, Alexandria; in the afternoon in Christ Church, in the same city; and in the evening in the Chapel of the Theological Seminary of the Diocese of Virginia, which is in the neighborhood of Alexandria.

Twenty-fifth Sunday after Trinity, November 17, in St. Thomas' Church, *New-York*, under the above mentioned canonical provision,

admitted to Deacons' Orders, John B. Campbell, a candidate in the vacant Diocese of South Carolina, and an alumnus of the General Theological Seminary.

Advent Sunday, December 1, in Trinity Church, *Brooklyn*, instituted the Rev. Richard C. Shimeall into the Rectorship of the Parish ; in the afternoon confirmed 11 ; and preached again at night.

Third Sunday in Advent, December 15, confirmed 31 in Zion Church, *New-York*.

First Sunday after Christmas, December 29, confirmed 16 in St. Philip's Church, of which the Rector and congregation are colored persons.

Second Sunday after Christmas, January 5, 1840, in St. Paul's Church, *Tompkinsville, Richmond County*, admitted to the priesthood the minister of the parish, the Rev. William Walton, Deacon, who had removed into this Diocese, by letter of dismissal, from that of Western New-York ; and who succeeds in this parish the Rev. Amos D. M'Coy, who had resigned the rectorship, and has removed to the Diocese of Pennsylvania. In the afternoon, preached there again.

First Sunday after the Epiphany, January 12, confirmed 75 in St. Luke's Church, *New-York*.

January 13, received from the Provisional Bishop of the Diocese of Delaware, the canonical notice of his having degraded from the ministry, Archibald T. K. M'Callum, a Deacon of that Diocese.

Second Sunday after the Epiphany, January 19, in the Mission Church of the Epiphany, *New-York*, admitted James Millett to Deacons' Orders. Mr. Millett is now an instructor in St. Thomas' Hall, *Flushing*.

Third Sunday after Epiphany, January 26, confirmed 81 in St. Thomas' Church.

Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany, and Festival of the Purification of the Virgin Mary, February 2, instituted the Rev. Anthony Ten Broeck into the Rectorship of the Church of the Nativity, which had been resigned by the Rev. Solon W. Manney, who has removed to the diocese of Indiana.

Mr. Ten Broeck had previously resigned the rectorship of St. Anna's Church, *Fishkill Landing, Dutchess county* ; where he is succeeded by the Rev. Freeman Clarkson, Deacon, whose ordination is hereafter to be mentioned.

Thursday, 6, consecrated Trinity Chapel, *Factoryville, Richmond county*. This beautiful, commodious, and well arranged edifice, a

and rules or laws thus laid upon her members for their dutiful observance. In the study of her ritual, her faithful children will keep this principle in view, and look beyond the prescribed ceremonial to the principles and duties which are included in it.

There is perhaps no office to which such remarks apply with fuller force than that for the consecration of churches and chapels. The great principle which pervades it is, that for the purposes of public worship, it is not right merely to provide convenient buildings, which may be appropriated to that among other objects, and of which the legal owners have, at all times, the disposal for such purposes as they think proper. In the consecration office, the Church establishes the principle that for the end now contemplated, buildings should be solemnly devoted to God, and appropriated, by consecration, to holy purposes exclusively. They should be "*separated from all unhallowed, worldly, and common uses,*" and *dedicated* to God's service. They should be *set apart* for the performance of the several offices of religious worship. They should be not only devoted, but *appropriated* to God's honor and worship.

Nor is this to be done merely by an agreement with the authorities or members of the Church. It is not to be simply a compact or understanding with those who are to worship in those buildings. It is to be accomplished by an infinitely more solemn and binding process. And this view of the subject, beloved brethren, especially you who are wardens and vestrymen of parishes, I affectionately and earnestly commend to your most serious and conscientious consideration.

The consecration of Churches is presented in our Office of Consecration, in the form of a solemn compact or agreement with Almighty God. There is supposed to be delivered to the consecrator an instrument of donation. The design and purport of this are clearly set forth in the following words of thanksgiving:—"Blessed be Thy name, O Lord, that it hath pleased Thee to put it into the hearts of thy servants"—that is, of course, those in whom has rested the proprietorship of the building—"to appropriate and devote this house to Thy honour and worship." Here is not only a devotion to God's honour and worship, but an *appropriation*, a term clearly implying exclusiveness. Exclusiveness, too, is the obvious bearing of the further developments of the true intent and meaning of consecration afforded by the appointed office; to which all the parties concerned must be supposed to have given their full assent; and by the principles and obligations involved in which they must be

therefore, greatly needed. It must, however, be a very cheap one, or there would be great difficulty, and perhaps impracticability, in providing for the expense of it, without the sacrifice of the ground and building. There was, therefore, a firm determination to adhere to strict economy. But as even with this determination, the procuring of a site, and erection of a Church, would render unavoidable a greater or less amount of indebtedness, for which, the parish being poor, the ground and building must for a time be liable, the usual religious ceremony was dispensed with at the laying of the corner-stone; and on the completion of the building, it was at once used, without consecration, as the place of worship for the parish. In time, however, the pious enterprise proved so successful, and so promising of the richest permanent benefit, that good Christian friends came forward, and the ground and building being relieved from all embarrassment, the solemn appropriation and devotion of them to God could consistently be made, and the consecration here recorded took place.

Saturday, February 22, consecrated St. Paul's Church, *Albany*.

This parish had previously erected a house of worship, which was consecrated twelve years ago, by my immediate predecessor. It was blessed with a succession of highly respectable, faithful, and useful clergymen. Its location, however, originally deemed by many injudicious, proved, by fair and long experiment, an insurmountable barrier to the temporal success and prosperity of the parish, and to its due measure of spiritual influence. The vestry, therefore, were compelled to come to the determination, when a favorable opportunity should occur, of parting with the building; and appropriating the proceeds to the obtaining of another, better located for answering the good purposes for which the original Church was erected and consecrated. The case was one of those which bring up the interesting question, how far it is right for a parish to sell a consecrated edifice, or otherwise allow of its alienation to other than the sacred purposes to which it was devoted.

Previously to meeting this question, and as intimately connected with its full bearing, I ask your attention to the subject of the consecration of Churches.

I apprehend that it may be assumed as obvious to every correctly thinking Churchman, that our liturgical offices not only serve for guidance in the performance of the several rites and ceremonies for which they provide; but also embody principles which must be regarded as thus incorporated into the Church's system of doctrine,

To this end, they should so use, and so improve, the rights of property which, as a corporation, they possess, as, in good faith the most effectually to advance her interests. But herein a distinction is to be drawn. The property generally of a vestry, with, of course, a just reference to any qualifications, restrictions, or provisions, that may have been attached to it by donors, is fairly left to the sound discretion, in the use and improvement of it for the Church, with which the law may have invested them. But not so with that portion of their property, which, as a house of public worship, has been, with their request and concurrence, made the subject of the Church's solemn consecration to God. The principles and bearing of the instrument or service provided for this consecration, have been before noticed. It is obvious from them, that the owners of the building have thus voluntarily changed their relation to it, and have reserved to themselves no other rights respecting it, than the right—I had rather call it the solemn and awful responsibility—of seeing that provision is made for its due and constant appropriation and devotion to the sacred purposes contemplated, and that it is jealously guarded against whatever use is unconnected with those holy purposes. The fee, thenceforward, is in them, not to do with it as they please, or as they may with other property, but as held in trust for God, to whom the building has been given, and His Church, which He has commissioned and empowered to act for Him in the accomplishment of His great and merciful work of spiritual and eternal good to men.

In their respective spheres, the Bishops and subordinate pastors of the Church, are God's ministers for the various spiritual functions connected with the prosecution of that work. And so full and clear are the requirements of Holy Scripture touching the obligation lying upon all Christians to avail themselves of these functions, and live in constant application to them, that no Christian is in the sphere of duty, if it be his fault that he is not under special pastoral charge. Indeed the fault is one of a most serious character, and for which he is under heavy responsibility.

A most momentous duty, *then*, of those who hold the houses of God in trust, is to see that they are provided with faithful pastoral ministrations. A parish without a spiritual head is a most unchristian anomaly. It is at variance with divinely required order, and may involve consequences, in spiritual and eternal evil, which the great day only will disclose.

Those who hold God's holy temple in trust for Him, then, should

Never rest satisfied until it is put in charge of one who has His high Commission, as His messenger, watchman, and steward, His ambassador and representative. Such an one, duly and orderly appointed, should be considered as in the stead (2 Cor. 5 : 20) of the Divine Proprietor of the sacred edifice, sent by Him to see that the terms promised in its dedication are duly fulfilled. *His*, then, becomes the responsibility on this head. He is to discharge it in subordination to the chief pastor of the Diocese, and amenable to the Diocesan authority. This view of the subject I take to be set forth in the delivery of the keys of the church, in the solemn office of the institution of ministers. This is done by the representative of the vestry, in the name of the parish, not as indicating a transfer to the minister of any legal right of possession, or fee of the building, which may be vested in the Corporation ; but as acting out the great principles above noticed. During a vacancy, the vestry hold the keys for the purpose of opening the building, as opportunity occurs, for the sacred objects for which they have given it to God. A minister of God being now duly placed in charge of the Church, he becomes responsible for its proper use, and the keys are made over to him accordingly. The part of the lay parochial authorities is then to see that the building and its appurtenances are kept in proper and decent order for their holy purposes, and affectionately and earnestly, to do what in them lies to strengthen the hands, cheer the heart, and secure the worldly comfort, of the pastor in his diligent and faithful prosecution of the momentous trust reposed in him. Theirs, too, is the melancholy duty, should circumstances unhappily require it, to see that pastoral delinquency is duly brought to the notice of the higher authorities of the Church.

If there is in these remarks, any appearance of a tendency to subject civil rights to an undue spiritual authority and control, I most decidedly disavow any such desire or feeling. I am aware, however, that a just appreciation of what has been said requires a just appreciation of the true principles and spirit of our religion, and of the Church which God has connected with it. The exact relation which a man's Christian and ecclesiastical character sustains to that which is secular and civil, is one that can be more easily felt than explained. The having of his conversation* in heaven, while his outward dealings are on earth, is the principle, carried out into its highest and holiest influences, herein concerned. If, in all things,

* Or citizenship, πολιτευμα. Philippians 3: 20.

the Christian should be ever on his guard, lest this world and its objects interfere too much with his Christian character, duties, and responsibilities, so especially should he be in those matters in which his worldly relations, and civil functions and privileges, are brought to bear on the sacred concerns of God's Church. His responsibility to that Church, his care for it, and his obligations to adhere to its principles, abide by its teachings, and promote its interests, should be first in his mind and his heart.

To those principles and teachings I have now conscientiously endeavoured to adhere, as they are unfolded in Holy Scripture, in their primitive catholic developement, as set forth by ancient authors, and in our liturgy and canons.

I deem it to be their obvious result, that the consecration of a Church does, in good faith, set it apart, as given to God, for such purposes only as have a direct connection with the worship and service of his Church, that is, for the performance of the several acts of that worship and service, for instructing men in the truths and duties connected with them, and for such other objects as have a direct bearing on the accomplishment of the holy ends designed by that worship and service.

But then comes the grave question which gave rise to this discussion. Does it hence follow, that a building once thus consecrated must, therefore, perpetually remain, under all circumstances, entirely inalienable.

It can hardly be necessary to say that we repudiate the idea of consecration conferring any positive holiness on the materials of which an edifice is composed. It confers only *relative* holiness on the building as a whole, and that for the purpose of having a place solemnly set apart and appropriated to God's service. Now the Scriptures are fuller on no point, than that when the outward forms, rites, and ceremonies of religion, cease to sustain their designed connection with the advancement of God's glory, and of man's spiritual welfare, they become useless and unacceptable to Him. Although the first and principal application of this truth is to that hinderance which is produced by the want in the worshippers of the proper moral and spiritual qualifications. Yet the principle is obviously applicable also to a state of things, growing out of the course of God's providence, in which the local provision for the holy ordinances and services of divine worship, may prove a serious impediment to their full, favorable operation on the promoting of the great ends for which they were established. When this appears obvious to a

judgment formed by competent authority, with full deliberation, and in the fear of God, the great and holy purposes concerned, certainly allow, and may require, that another and more favorable location be selected for setting up God's altar, and rearing His temple; and the former structure may, and if necessary should, be made subservient to this carrying out of the original design of its construction, by converting it into means available for meeting the pecuniary responsibilities of the enterprise.

Just such was the case with St. Paul's Church, Albany. The remarks which have grown out of the record of the case exhibit the principles and views on which I have expressed the conviction that the vestry acted with entire consistency and propriety. In the cherishing of this conviction, we may bid them, and their excellent and devoted Rector, God speed, with sincere congratulations on the new and happy impulse which has thus been given to their parish.

Continuing several days in Albany, I further officiated therein as follows:

Sexagesima Sunday, February 23, preached in the morning in St. Peter's Church, and in the afternoon in St. Paul's.

In the evening, confirmed 37 in St. Peter's.

Festival of St. Matthias the Apostle, Monday, February 24, confirmed at her residence, a sick member of St Peter's.

Tuesday, 25, preached for a congregation assembling in a building, temporarily engaged, in the southern part of the city.

Wednesday, 26, preached in St. Peter's Church.

This was the longest visit I have been able to pay, since my consecration, to the capital of our state. It was a source to me of much enjoyment in my experience of the kind hospitalities of its inhabitants, and the opportunity it afforded me of judging of the state of the Church at that most important position. This I found highly satisfactory. The faithful labors of the two Rectors had been evidently signally blessed. Between the parishes there was a most delightful state of Christian harmony and good feeling. During the interval which necessarily elapsed between the abandonment, by St. Paul's Parish, of its former Church, and the completion and consecration of the new one, the two congregations assembled together in St. Peter's, and their respective Rectors aided each other in the performance of the holy offices.

Quinquagesima Sunday, March 1, in St. George's Church, Flushing, *Queen's county*, admitted to the priesthood, the Rev. John B. Kerfoot, Deacon, Chaplain, and assistant to the Professor of

Greek and Latin, in St. Paul's College, College Point, and minister of a congregation meeting in Whitestone Chapel.

In the afternoon, confirmed 25.

In the evening, confirmed 10 in Whitestone Chapel. This is the building mentioned by me last year as the private property of a gentleman not of our communion; and in which, with the full consent and approbation of the owner, Mr. Kerfoot continues stated and very useful ministrations.

First Sunday in Lent, March 8, in a building temporarily occupied by the parish of the Church of the Ascension, *New-York*, which had lost its house of prayer by fire, confirmed 64 in the morning.

In the afternoon, confirmed 52 in St. Bartholomew's Church.

Second Sunday in Lent, March 15, in St. Paul's Church, Sing Sing, *Westchester county*, admitted to Priest's Orders, the minister of the Parish, the Rev. Charles H. Halsey, Deacon, who had removed into this Diocese from that of New Jersey.

In the afternoon, baptized a child, and preached, in Christ Church, Tarry Town.

The Rectorship of St. Paul's had been previously resigned by the Rev. Edward N. Mead, who is now engaged in supplying the place of the Rector of St. Clement's Church, in this city, who is absent from the country.

Thursday, 19, laid the corner-stone of the Church of the Ascension, *New-York*; of the destruction by fire of the former church of which parish, notice was taken in my last year's address.

March 20th, received from the Bishop of Massachusetts, notice of his having displaced from the ministry, the Rev. George F. Haskins, a Presbyterian of that Diocese, under the canon contemplating the case of a minister declaring his determination no longer to officiate in the ministry of the Church, and with the statement, provided for in the canon, that it is for no cause affecting his moral character.

Third Sunday in Lent, March 22, confirmed 56 in St. Clement's Church, *New-York*.

Fourth Sunday in Lent, March, 29, in the morning, confirmed 58 in St. Peter's Church.

In the afternoon, confirmed 20 in the Chapel of Christ Church, *Brooklyn*, which is yet unprovided with a parish church.

Fifth Sunday in Lent, April 5, confirmed 17 in the Mission Church of the Holy Evangelists, *New-York*.

Sunday next before Easter, April 12, confirmed 106 in the Mission Church of the Epiphany.

I cannot record this largest confirmation which I have ever held, without a passing remark. You perceive it was held in one of our *City Mission Churches*. It is of great importance that these churches should be kept constantly before the Episcopalians of this city as eminently deserving their liberal care and patronage. This large confirmation is a fair index of the high degree of success with which God has been pleased to bless our city mission efforts; and although I might, with much justice, speak of the labors of the excellent brother who has given himself most assiduously for the last seven or eight years to this most important part of the missionary field, and in whose station the confirmation was held, yet I am confident that his own wishes and feelings are with me in referring rather to the *missionary cause* which has been thus blessed and encouraged by our Divine Lord. If the other Mission Church, that of the Holy Evangelists, has not, as it never has, manifested equal tokens of prosperity, it has not been for the want of faithful missionaries stationed there. Of these it has had an unbroken succession. The frequent changes, however, in its pastoral charge, have undoubtedly not been without effect in hindering the steady growth and onward prosperity with which the labor of one missionary, in the other station, has been blessed. The principal cause of the difference, however, I take to be the very favorable location of the church of the Epiphany, and the increasingly unfavorable one of that of the Holy Evangelists. The latter being in a part of the city in which dwelling houses are rapidly giving way to stores. It is the wish of the society, when a proper opportunity offers, to exchange this for a more favorable site.

But to return to the main object of this digression. It is earnestly to commend to my Reverend and lay brethern of this city a more adequate support of our City Mission Society. Its organization is in thorough accordance with the sound principle which recognizes the authority of the church in all organizations for religious purposes. Its constitution is unalterable, save with the approbation of the Bishop of the Diocese. Its Board of Managers consists of the Bishop, all the clergy of the city, and laymen selected from among the Episcopalians generally of the city, each parish, also being allowed a lay delegate to the Board. The missionaries are appointed, on the nomination of the Bishop, by a committee of clergymen and laymen selected by the managers to receive the nomina-

tion. With this organization, the object of the society is to provide Churches in which the sittings shall be all free, and pay the salaries of missionaries to officiate therein. The current expenses of both the present stations, except the missionaries' salaries, are defrayed by the worshippers at the respective Churches; and a Committee of superintendence for each Church is appointed, from its congregation, by the Board of Managers.

But a most important feature in this department of missionary operations is yet to be mentioned. It is that of missionaries at large, of whom no public duty is exacted, in order that they may have time for the very onerous but invaluable duty of seeking out, in the streets and lanes of our city, and in the cellars and garrets of its humblest tenements, the friendless poor, who want an eye to pity them, a heart to feel for them, a hand to check them in their wanderings, and point out to them the way they should go, and a son of consolation to bring them to Him who calls all who travail and are heavy laden to come unto Him for rest. It is theirs, too, to do what can be done to reclaim the wretched outcasts, worse than heathen in both religion and morals, who swarm our streets by thousands, and whose poverty, ignorance, and vice, are a lamentably effectual barrier to any hope of benefit to them from our parish churches and our parish Clergy.

From such portions of our population, the missionaries at large are to strive, by God's blessing, to bring children to the Sunday and Infant Schools of our Mission Churches, and worshippers to the Churches themselves. And in the discharge of these high, holy, important, and most laborious missionary duties—as high, holy, important, and laborious, it may be safely affirmed, as any in the whole of the wide field of missionary enterprise—the missionaries at large are to be the almoners, for the relief of temporal distress, of the kind benefactions of the members of the Church; thus gaining a welcome for their visits, attaching sentiments of gratitude and love to their persons, recommending, by the exhibition of the unweariedness of its benevolent character, the religion of which they are the heralds, and consequently opening the way for the well-received introduction of religious counsel and warning. I would earnestly recommend our city missionaries, stationed and itinerant, as the very best agents for the due and judicious administration of that large department of the charities of the Church which respects objects beyond the range or the personal cognizance of either the donors or their pastors.

Our city mission experience has been well fraught with instances of persons who, when that blessed charity first found them, were in a most pitiable state of penury, degradation, and recklessness. The divine blessing shone upon the charity. Its temporal and spiritual ministrations were made to touch the heart. A sense of decency became gradually infused. Some honest occupation, however humble, was adopted. The Sunday School was sought for the younger branches of the family. In due time, the elder joined them in the Mission Church. There, coming in contact with the more respectable attendants at those Churches, an elevation of feeling was at once the consequence; and this was greatly aided by faithful and sociable pastoral visits. Meanwhile, God's appointed means of grace were working the blessed influence assigned them. The result of the whole has been the gain to the state of virtuous citizens, to the community of honest and industrious men, and to the Church of devout and exemplary members. Nor is this all. Joy has hence arisen in the presence of the angels of God, and accessions been made to the number of the redeemed, who will unite with them eternally in the services of the Church triumphant. Yes, and these blessed results may be hoped to expand continually, until children and children's children, snatched from infamy and ruin, will benefit and adorn their country and society, and the Church in this world, and be made meet for the glorious inheritance, in the next, of the saints of light.

A circumstance most gratifying to the devout Christian, connected with the blessing which has attended the missionary work in this city, is the testimony which it has borne to the sufficiency for ministration in every grade of society of the regular and stated order of the Church. There has been found no necessity for having recourse to popular expedients, or moulding the public services to an imagined better adaptation to the persons designed to be benefitted. And the more this point is examined, the more fallacious will appear the idea that the ritual of the Church must be subjected to curtailments, alterations, or additions, in order to secure greater usefulness among classes of people whom this theory supposes the Church to have overlooked in her maternal care. No, her unrivalled means for promoting man's spiritual and eternal good and spreading God's honor and glory among the people, are adapted to all.

The propelling motive to these remarks has been an earnest and affectionate desire to press upon my brethren of this city the great duty of more liberally sustaining the work of missions in

this most interesting and important department of the great missionary field. There is a loud call for an addition of missionary churches and of missionaries at large. There can be little doubt that if our city mission operations were sustained to the extent to which they might be, the money thus lent to the Lord would be returned, besides in ways of infinitely greater value to the community, the Church, and ourselves, in a great diminution of misapplied charities of losses by dishonesty and fraud, and of the expense at which institutions are supported for punishing crime, and for the maintenance of those whom vice has reduced to wretched dependence.

And are there not other cities and large villages in the Diocese, where the example in this respect of New-York might be profitably followed?

I proceed in the detail of my official acts.

First Sunday after Easter, April 26, in St. George's Church, *New-York*, admitted Benjamin S. Huntington to Deacon's Orders.

Second Sunday after Easter, May 3, in the morning, confirmed 33 in St. Paul's Church, *Albany*.

In the afternoon, confirmed 6 in a congregation meeting in the southern part of the city.

In the evening, preached in St. Peter's Church.

Tuesday, 5, confirmed 5 in Christ Church, *Duanesburgh, Schenectady county*; and made a pastoral visit to a sick member of the parish.

Thursday, 7, in Trinity Church, *Rensselaerville, Albany county*, baptized two adults, and confirmed 9, and preached again in the afternoon.

Friday, 8, confirmed 1 in St. Paul's Church, *Oakhill, Greene county*.

Saturday, 9, in the morning, confirmed 2 in Christ Church, *Greeneville*.

In the evening, preached in Calvary Church, *Cairo*.

Third Sunday after Easter, May 10, in the same church, admitted the Rev. George Sayres, Deacon, the missionary there, to the Priesthood.

In the afternoon, confirmed 1.

Tuesday, 12, in Trinity Church, *Windham*, admitted Asa Griswold to Deacons' Orders.

Mr. Griswold is the missionary at Walton and Franklin, *Delaware county*, the station having been resigned by the Rev. Robert Campbell.

In the afternoon, confirmed 8.

Thursday, 14, in the morning, confirmed 16 in St. Peter's Church, Hobart, *Delaware county*, and preached there again in the afternoon.

Saturday, 16, confirmed 11 in St. John's Church, Delhi, and made a pastoral visit to a sick member of the parish.

Fourth Sunday after Easter, May 17, in Christ Church, Walton, preached and administered the Communion; in the afternoon, baptized an infant and preached; and preached again at a later hour.

Tuesday, 19, in St. Matthew's Church, Unadilla, *Otsego county*, in the morning, confirmed 10, and preached again in the evening.

Wednesday, 20, preached in the Baptist Meeting House, Franklin, *Delaware county*.

Thursday, 21, in Immanuel Church, Otego, *Otsego county*, preached and administered the Communion; and in the afternoon, baptized an infant, and confirmed 3 persons.

Friday, 22, in the morning preached in the Baptist Meeting House, Oneonta, and in the afternoon confirmed therein 3 persons.

Saturday, 23, preached in Christ Church, Gilbertsville.

Fifth Sunday after Easter, or Rogation Sunday, May 24, in the morning baptized an adult and confirmed 8 in the same Church.

In the afternoon, confirmed 16 in Zion Church, Louisville.

Tuesday, 26, in the morning, laid the corner-stone of St. Timothy's Church, Westford, after morning service held in the Methodist Meeting House, at which I baptized 3 adults and 4 children.

In the afternoon, confirmed 5 in the same place.

Wednesday, 27, confirmed 9 in Christ Church, Cooperstown.

Much liberality had been here shown in the great improvement of the Church, by the addition of a large and commodious chancel, by the substitution of desk, pulpit, and pews of polished oak for the old painted ones, and by other appropriate and beautiful alterations.

Festival of the Ascension of our Lord Jesus Christ, May 28, for the parish of St. John's Church, Exeter, in the Methodist Meeting House, administered the Communion, and in the afternoon, baptized an infant, and confirmed 3 persons.

Friday, 29, in St. Luke's Church, Monticello, in the morning, confirmed 11, and preached again in the afternoon.

Sunday after the Ascension, May 31, for the parish of Trinity Church, Cherry Valley, in the Methodist Meeting House, adminis-

tered the Communion, and in the afternoon baptized 2 infants, and confirmed one person.

Monday, June, 1, preached in the Dutch Reformed Meeting House, Herkimer, *Herkimer county*.

Tuesday, 2, in Immanuel Church, Little Falls, admitted the missionary there, the Rev. William S. Bartlet, Deacon, to the Priesthood, and in the afternoon confirmed 2.

Wednesday, 3, married a couple in St. George's Church, *Schenectady*.

Thursday, 4, in the Court House at Fonda, *Montgomery county*, the usual place of worship for the parish of St. Stephen's Church, admitted the Rev. John Noble, Deacon, the missionary there, to the Priesthood, and preached again in the afternoon.

Friday, 5, preached in St. Paul's Church, *Troy*.

Whitsunday, June 7, instituted the Rev. Edward Ingersoll, who had removed into the diocese from that of Connecticut, into the Rectorship of Christ Church.

In the afternoon, confirmed 75 in St. Paul's Church, and preached in the evening in St. John's Church.

The next day I repaired to West Point, having been requested by the Department of War to serve as a member of the Board of Visitors—such a Board being annually appointed—of the United States Military Academy at that place. The duties thus devolving on me occupied the greater part of my time for two weeks.

On the first Sunday which occurred during the session of the Board—Trinity Sunday, June 14, I preached in the Chapel of the Academy in the morning; and in the afternoon in the Presbyterian Meeting House at Cold Spring, Putnam County, where the Rector of the neighboring parish of St. Philip's Church, Philipstown, officiates stately on Sunday afternoon. A parish has since been organized here, under the name of St. Mary's Church in the Highlands. On the following day I made a pastoral visit to a sick member of this congregation.

June, 16, received from the Bishop of Tennessee canonical notice of his having displaced from the ministry, for causes not effecting his moral character, the Rev. John H. Norment.

Saturday, 20, confirmed 10 of the students of St. Paul's College, College Point, *Queen's county*, in the chapel in that institution.

First Sunday after Trinity, June 21, confirmed 12 in St. Andrew's Church, *New York*.

My engagements at West Point prevented my usual attention to the duties of the annual meetings of the Board of Missions, the Managers of the Sunday School Union, and the Trustees of the General Theological Seminary.

At the Commencement of the latter, twenty-one young gentlemen received the honors of the Institution, and were thus enrolled among its alumni. Of these, 12 were candidates for Orders in this diocese.

Ten were admitted by me to Deacons' Orders, in St Peter's Church, New-York, on the Second Sunday after Trinity, June 28, viz., Fortune C. Brown, Freeman Clarkson, Stephen Douglass, George W Fash, George D. Gillespie, William H. Moore, Louis L. Noble, who had been transferred, as a candidate, from the diocese of Michigan, Jesse A. Spencer, Benjamin W. Stone, and Albert D. Traver.

Mr. Brown has removed to the Diocese of Western New-York. Mr. Clarkson, as above stated, is the minister of St. Anna's Church, Fishkill Landing, Dutchess county. Mr. Fash is the missionary at Marlborough, Ulster county, where he succeeds the Rev. Robert Shaw, who is the Rector of Trinity Church, Fishkill, Dutchess county. Mr. Spencer is the minister of St. James' Church, Goshen, Orange county; herein succeeding the Rev. Thomas Mallaby, who has resigned the Rectorship.

Another member of the same class, Theodore B. Lyman, has since been ordained, at my request, by my Right Reverend brother the Bishop of Maryland.

In the afternoon of June 28, confirmed 22 in St. Paul's Church, Flatbush, *King's county*.

Tuesday, 30, in the morning, preached in St. Philip's Church, Phillipstown, *Putnam county*.

In the afternoon, laid the corner-stone of St. Mary's Church in the Highlands, Cold Spring, having previously preached a sermon adapted to the occasion, and confirmed 2 persons in the Methodist Meeting House.

Third Sunday after Trinity, July 5, in the chapel of St. Mark's Church, Williamsburgh, *King's county*, admitted to Priests' Orders the minister of the parish, the Rev. Samuel M. Haskins, Deacon; and in the afternoon confirmed 12.

Wednesday, 8, preached in the temporary chapel occupied by the parish of St. Thomas' Church, Ravenswood, *Queen's county*.

Thursday, 9, in St. George's Church, Astoria, admitted the Rev. Caleb Clapp, Deacon, Assistant to the Rector of St. Michael's, St. James,' and St. Mary's Churches, New York, and Instructor at

Astoria, to the Priesthood ; and in the afternoon, baptized an adult and confirmed 8.

July 10 and 11 were spent in a visitation of the Astoria Female Institute, as were the 13th in that of St. Ann's Hall, and the 14th in that of St. Thomas' Hall, Flushing, and the 16th and 17th in that of St. Paul's College, College Point.

Of all these institutions I had been requested, as Bishop of the Diocese, by their respective rectors, to act as Visitor. In that capacity, these visits were made.

I have before fully expressed my views on the subject of the propriety of education being undertaken by the Church, on the clearly correct principle that it is unnatural to sever man's intellectual and moral from his spiritual part. The mere instruction of the intellect will do but little towards forming the moral man ; and surely no Christian need be reminded that efforts at moral improvement, independent of Christian principles, and the influence of divine grace on the heart, cannot be expected to be successful. Christian faith and morals are essential to the due benefit of cultivating the intellect. Hence the great principle, on which the Christian world has ever acted, that education is a part of religion. It is enforced by religious obligation, and should never be dis severed from the direct inculcation of religious teaching. Therefore the Church should of right—as it is required by duty—see to the education of its young members. I thank God that there is a prospect of the Church in this country feeling its duty in this matter, and acting accordingly.

My visit to the several institutions above mentioned gave me very great satisfaction.—They are all excellent, and fulfilling well their respective trusts and responsibilities. I earnestly commend them to increased patronage, and hope that similar institutions will increase among us.

Of St. Paul's College, in particular, it ought not to be forgotten that it has the peculiar merit of having taken the lead in this important field of the Church's duty. Under the many years' untiring and disinterested devotion of its excellent Rector, it has attained to a great degree of stability, and I am happy to add, of favorable estimation, and well deserved celebrity. It has now the advantage of having been made a corporate body by the legislature of the state ; and under its incorporation, has been organized on principles of thorough connection with the Church, and responsibility to its authority.

Fourth Sunday after Trinity, July 12, in the morning, preached in St. James' Church, Newtown.

In the afternoon, confirmed 10 in St. George's Church, Flushing.

Wednesday, 15, in the morning, in the Chapel of St. Thomas' Hall, confirmed 6, of whom 5 were pupils of the institution.

In the afternoon, in the Chapel of St. Ann's Hall, confirmed 6 of its pupils.

Thursday, 16, married a couple in Oyster Bay.

Saturday, 18, preached in Zion Church, Little Neck.

Fifth Sunday after Trinity, July 19, in the morning, confirmed 18 in Christ Church, Manhasset.

In the afternoon, preached for the parish of St. Mary's Church, in the Methodist Meeting House, Hempstead Harbor.

In this parish, as in that of Little Neck, it was deeply interesting and gratifying to me to hear the most affectionate testimony borne to the faithful and useful services of a brother, formerly of this diocese, but then, and for several years, of that of Maryland, and who died at Hempstead Harbor, where he had resided for some time—the Rev. Ralph Williston.

Monday, 20, baptized an infant, and confirmed 4 persons, in St. Paul's Church, Glen Cove.

Tuesday, 21, preached for the parish of Christ Church, in the Baptist Meeting House, Oyster Bay.

Wednesday, 22, baptized a child in the same parish, and afterwards confirmed 5 in St. John's Church, Cold Spring Harbor.

In the evening, preached in the District School, Woodbury.

Thursday, 23, baptized an adult and an infant, and confirmed 7, in St. John's Church, Huntington, *Suffolk county*.

Festival of St. James the Apostle, Saturday, July 25, confirmed 2 in Caroline Church, Setauket.

Sixth Sunday after Trinity, July 26, confirmed 4 in St. John's Church, Islip, and preached there again in the afternoon.

Tuesday, 28, confirmed 21 in St. George's Church, Hempstead, *Queen's county*, and preached there again in the evening.

Wednesday, 29, confirmed 18 in Trinity Chapel, Rockaway, a chapel of St. George's Church, Hempstead.

Thursday, 30, confirmed 14 in Grace Church, Jamaica.

In the evening, preached to the colored congregation in the same village, who worship in a chapel provided by the liberality of the Rector of the parish, enjoying, when no clergyman is present, the services of a licensed colored lay-reader. In the afternoon, I had

visited the school belonging to the congregation kept in the same building, and under the charge of the lay-reader.

Seventh Sunday after Trinity, August 2, in Christ Church, *Troy*, admitted to Priests' Orders the Rev. William H. A. Bissell, and the Rev. George B. Eastman, Deacons, Instructors in the *Troy Episcopal Institute*. Mr. Eastman had been recently canonically transferred from the Diocese of Michigan.

In the afternoon, in St. John's Church, *Cohoes, Albany county*, baptized an adult, and confirmed 12.

In the evening, confirmed 6 in St. Luke's Chapel, (a chapel of Trinity Church,) *West Troy*.

In the same week I attended, as a Trustee thereof, the annual meeting of the Trustees, and the Commencement of Geneva College. It must be interesting to this diocese, which has happily had it in its power to act very efficiently in behalf of this College, to know that it continues to answer well the best wishes and expectations of its friends.

Eighth Sunday after Trinity, August 9, in Immanuel Church, *Otego, Otsego county*, admitted the missionary there, the Rev. Andrew Hull, Deacon, to the Priesthood; and in the afternoon confirmed 1.

Tuesday, 11, in St. John's Church, *Delhi, Delaware county*, admitted to the Priesthood the Rev. Daniel Shepard, Deacon, Principal of the Delaware academy; and in the afternoon confirmed 3.

On the 12th, received from the Bishop of the Diocese of New Jersey, canonical notice of his having displaced from the ministry the Rev. John Purdue, M. D., Deacon, under the canon providing for the case of a clergyman declaring his renunciation of the ministry, and for causes not affecting his moral standing.

Thursday, 13, in the Methodist Meeting House, *Catskill, Greene county*, for the parish of St. Luke's Church, whose House of Prayer, reported last year as having been burned, is rebuilt in part, confirmed, in the morning, 8; and in the evening, preached for the same parish in the Dutch Reformed Meeting House.

Friday, 14, in Trinity Church, *Athens*, confirmed 5.

Ninth Sunday after Trinity, August 16, consecrated St. Simon's Chapel, *Hampton, Washington county*.

This is a chapel of the old parish of Christ Church. The parish church, erected many years since, having, by the growth of the village at a short distance from it, become inconveniently situated for many of the congregation, this neat little chapel has been erected,

The services of the missionary in charge being divided between the Church and chapel.

In the afternoon, baptized 2 adults and an infant, and confirmed 2, in Christ Church.

In the evening, preached in the Congregational Meeting House, Fairhaven, Vermont.

Monday, 17, confirmed 7 in St. Paul's Church, Whitehall, *Washington county*.

Tuesday, 18, in the Presbyterian Meeting House, Glens Falls, *Warren county*, for the parish of the Church of the Messiah, admitted to Priests' Orders the missionary there, the Rev. John A. Spooner, Deacon; in the afternoon, confirmed 14; and preached again in the evening.

Much commendable zeal is manifested by this new parish, and it promises fairly to become one of the strongest and most influential in that section of the diocese.

Wednesday, 19, I met a small congregation at the dwelling house of an aged member of the Church in Northumberland, *Saratoga county*. Formerly a constant and devout attendant on the services and ordinances of the Church in the diocese of Connecticut, he removed thence into this section of country, many years since; and being at a great distance from Church privileges, the unhappy effect of destitution of them was beginning to be experienced in his religious feelings and views, when he became providentially known to our faithful missionary in those parts. The result was, the appointment of occasional services at his house. The happiest consequences have been experienced; as was illustrated, in part, by the confirmation, at this time, of 5 persons.

Thursday, 20, confirmed 5, in St. Luke's Church, Mechanicville.

In the evening, baptized an infant, and preached in the Dutch Reformed Meeting House, Kinderhook, *Columbia county*.

Friday, 21, confirmed 19 in Christ Church, *Hudson*.

Saturday, 22, confirmed 19 in Trinity Church, Ulster, *Ulster county*, where I was much gratified at finding the church ornamented with a new and beautiful spire, at the sole cost of a lady of the parish, in which is suspended a fine bell, presented by a member of the same family.

Tenth Sunday after Trinity, August 23, in the morning, preached in St. Paul's Church, Redhook, *Dutchess county*.

In the afternoon, preached in a chapel finished in the upper story of the Academy, Clermont, *Columbia county*. Here the Rector of

St. Paul's, Redhook, officiating on Sunday afternoons, has succeeded in gathering a highly respectable congregation, who, I had reason to hope, would soon be organized as a parish.

Festival of St. Bartholomew the Apostle, Monday, August 24, confirmed 2 in St. John's Church, Kingston, *Ulster county*.

Tuesday, 25, confirmed 19 in St. James' Church, Hyde Park, *Dutchess county*.

I found this church greatly improved by the addition of a handsome marble font, a beautiful expression of gratitude and kindness by a military corps belonging to this city, for hospitalities received, in visits to Hyde Park, from members of the parish, and satisfaction enjoyed in attendance on the services of the Church.

Wednesday, 26, confirmed 22 in St. Paul's Church, Poughkeepsie.

In the afternoon, administered the Communion of the Sick, at her residence, to the aged relict of a late venerable Presbyter of the diocese.

Thursday, 27, baptized 2 adults, and confirmed 9, in Zion Church, Wappinger's Creek.

Friday, 28, confirmed 6 in Christ Church, Marlborough, *Ulster county*.

Eleventh Sunday after Trinity, August 30, in St. John's Church, Monticello, *Sullivan county*, in the morning, baptized 4 adults, confirmed 17, and administered the communion; and preached again in the evening.

The interests of the Church are evidently strengthening in this insulated portion of our diocese. The indefatigable missionary, far from any other brother, extends his services very usefully over a large tract of neighboring country.

Tuesday, September 1, preached in St. James' Church, Goshen, *Orange county*.

Wednesday, 2, confirmed 1, and administered the communion in St. Andrew's Church, Walden; and preached there again in the afternoon; and at a later hour paid a pastoral visit to a sick member of the parish.

Thursday, 3, confirmed 27 in St. George's Church, Newburgh.

Friday, 4, confirmed 9 in St. Anna's Church, Fishkill Landing, *Dutchess county*.

Saturday, 5, baptized an infant, and preached in Trinity Church, Fishkill.

Twelfth Sunday after Trinity, September 6, in the morning, preached in Christ Church, Patterson, *Putnam county*.

In the afternoon, for the parish of St. Peter's Church, Pawlings, *Dutchess county*, preached in a Methodist Chapel in that town.

Monday, 7, preached in St. James' Church, North Salem, *Westchester county*.

Tuesday, 8, in the Presbyterian Meeting House, for the parish of St. Luke's Church, Somers, preached and administered the communion, and preached again in the evening.

I was gratified to find here the prospect of the speedy erection of a church.

Thursday, 10, in St. Peter's Chapel, Peekskill, preached in the morning, and in the evening confirmed 5.

Friday, 11, in St. Paul's Church, Sing Sing, confirmed 10, and baptized an infant, and preached again in the evening.

Saturday, 12, confirmed 11 in Christ Church, Tarry Town.

Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity, September 13, in the morning, preached in Zion Church, Greenburgh.

In the afternoon, confirmed 5 in St. John's Church, Yonkers.

Monday, 14, preached at a Chapel of St. John's Church, at Tuckahoe.

Thursday, 17, in St. Paul's Church, Baltimore, united with my Right Reverend brethren, the Senior Bishop, and the Bishops of Virginia and New Jersey, in the consecration to the episcopate of the Rev. William Rollinson Whittingham, D. D., St. Mark's Church in the Bowery, Professor of Ecclesiastical History in the General Theological Seminary, elected Bishop of the Diocese of Maryland. It is a source of great gratitude to God, that the long vacancy in that interesting and important diocese has been so happily filled. And the measure of the loss thus sustained by the Seminary, and by this Diocese, though increased, is rendered less unhappy, by those qualifications for his station which make Dr. Whittingham's promotion so valuable an accession to the episcopacy of the Church.

A similarly valuable accession has also been experienced, I am happy to say, since we last met, in the consecration to the charge of the Church in South Carolina, of the Rev. Christopher Edwards Gadsden, D. D.

On the evening of the day of Bishop Whittingham's consecration, I preached in St. Paul's.

Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity, September 20, in St. Paul's church, Tompkinsville, *Richmond county*, confirmed 14 in the morning, and preached again in the afternoon.

Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity, September 27, confirmed 12 in St. Michael's Church, *New-York*.

From the above details it appears that during the year I have assisted at the consecration of 1 Bishop, ordained 17 Priests and 15 Deacons; instituted 3 Rectors; laid the corner-stones of four churches; consecrated 4 churches; and confirmed 1409 persons on 86 occasions. One other Deacon was ordained, for me, by another Bishop. Two Deacons and one Priest were ordained by me for vacant dioceses. Thirteen of the Deacons are alumni of the General Theological Seminary. I have also administered the Lord's Supper 29 times, and preached 219 times. My various official journeys have amounted to about 4,500 miles.

The changes among the clergy, other than those already noticed, have been as follows:

The Rev. Pierre T. Babbit has removed into this Diocese from that of New Jersey, and become the rector of Christ Church, Hudson; herein succeeding the Rev. Isaac Pardee, who has removed to this city as Assistant Minister of St. Thomas' Church.

The Rev. William Barlow has resigned the Rectorship of St. John's Church, Ogdensburgh, St. Lawrence county, where he is succeeded by the Rev. Hewlett R. Peters, and become Rector of St. Paul's Church, Flatbush, King's county.

The Rev. Seth W. Beardsley has removed into this Diocese from that of Western New-York, and resides at Cherry Valley, Otsego county.

The Rev. Alva Bennet has removed from Little Falls, Herkimer county, and is, I am informed, engaged in teaching at Nassau, Rensselaer county.

The Rev. Johnson A. Brayton has removed from the Diocese of Western New-York, and is residing, as a teacher, at Ogdensburgh, St. Lawrence county, extending also clerical services to Canton.

The Rev. Thomas S. Brittan has resigned the Rectorship of St. Paul's Church, Brooklyn.

The Rev. David I. Burger has removed into this Diocese from that of Michigan, and become the Missionary at Hoosick Falls, Rensselaer county.

The Rev. Henry Caswall, has been canonically transferred to this Diocese from that of Indiana; and

The Rev. Sheldon Davis, Deacon, from that of Connecticut. The

latter being the missionary at Patterson, Putnam county, and Pawlings, Dutchess county.

This station, and subsequently that formerly connected with it, of North Salem and Somers, Westchester county, had been resigned by the Rev. Benjamin Evans, who had removed to this city, succeeding, as Missionary at large, the Rev. Alexander Frazer, who, for several years, gave himself most faithfully, disinterestedly, and successfully, to the arduous and important duties of that office ; and who is now engaged in this city in the business of teaching.

The Rev. John Grigg has removed into this Diocese from that of Vermont ; and

The Rev. Thomas Clark from this into that of New Jersey.

The Rev. James Coghlan, who came to this country some years ago, as a Presbyterian of the Church of England, and was canonically connected with this Diocese, returned, about two years since, to England, and has never since made to me his canonical reports. I have been indirectly informed that he has a cure in England. Should he not report himself within the coming year, I shall consider his former ecclesiastical connection as having been renewed, and accordingly erase his name from the list of our clergy.

The Rev. Samuel C. Davis has removed to the Diocese of Maryland.

The Rev. Isaiah G. De Grasse, Deacon, has relinquished the charge of the congregations to which he ministered in this city, and in Jamaica, Queen's county.

The Rev. John D. Gilbert has removed to the Diocese of Western New York, and

The Rev. George S. Gordon, Deacon, to that of Connecticut.

The oldest Presbyterian of the Diocese, the Rev. William Hammell, has departed this life. He had been separated from the work of the ministry for about forty years, by paralysis, manifesting the genuineness of his piety, by patient and Christian endurance of the trial which was thus so long laid upon him.

The Rev. Charles W. Hackley has removed into this Diocese from that of Mississippi, and is at present engaged in instruction in this city.

The Rev. Aaron Humphrey has relinquished the missionary station at Waddington, St. Lawrence county, and

The Rev. John Knill that of Port Jackson, Montgomery county, and West Charlton, Saratoga county.

The Rev. Henry Lockwood has removed to the Diocese of Western New York.

We have to lament the loss of the Rev. Darwin B. Mason, M. D., Rector of Trinity Church, Granville, Washington county, whom God has taken to Himself in the prime of life, and in the midst of great fidelity and usefulness of ministration.

The Rev. Timothy Minor has removed to the Diocese of Illinois,
The Rev. John D. Ogilby to that of New Jersey, and

The Rev. Washington Philo, Deacon, to the jurisdiction of the Missionary Bishop for Missouri, &c., and

The Rev. James Sunderland, who is a teacher in this city, into this Diocese from that of North Carolina.

The Rev. Joseph Ransom has resigned the Rectorship of St. John's Church, Johnstown, Fulton county, where he is succeeded by the Rev. Salmon Wheaton, D. D., removed from the Diocese of Rhode Island, and is missionary at Westford and Cherry Valley, Otsego county.

The Rev. John Scovill has resigned the Rectorship of Christ Church, Greeneville, Greene county.

The Rev. William Staunton, and

The Rev. Alfred Stubbs, Deacon, have removed to the Diocese of New Jersey.

The Rev. Isaac Swart,

The Rev. Thomas Towell, and

The Rev. Phineas L. Whipple, to that of Western New York, and

The Rev. William Withington, Deacon, to that of Massachusetts.

The whole number of clergy in the Diocese is 191. Fourteen have removed from other Dioceses into this, and 17 from this into others, and 2 have departed this life.

The following persons are candidates for orders :—Henry Lawrence, William H. Hughes, D. Hillhouse Buel, Ralph Hoyt, Francis Edwards, John G. Barton, Charles Aldis, James N. M'Elligot, David M'Ilvaine, Nathaniel W. Starr, Whiting Griswold, Alfred M. Loutrel, Anthony E. Burt, William E. Snowden, Maunsel Van Rensselaer, John S. Kidney, Robert Washbon, Charles F. Smith, John H. Hobart, Jacob D. L. M. Moore, Stephen Patterson, William Adams, Russel Trevett, John T. Cushing, Henry M. Beare, Arthur C. Coxe, Samuel Sherwell, Arthur Carey, James Witherspoon, Benjamin Akerly, Benjamin Daniels, John C. Smith, Samuel H.

Coxe, jun., Stephen H. Battin, James W. Stewart, William Walsh, Gordon Huntington, Edwin A. Nichols, Charles Axtell, Jedidiah Huntington, M.D., Reuben Riley, Henry B. Bartow, Frederick Shelton, Donald Frazer, Aaron F. Olmstead, Edgar P. Wadhams, Vandervoort Bruce, Archibald C. M'Elroy, and Robert B. Fairbairn.—Total 49.

Of these Mr. Aldis is an alumnus of the General Theological Seminary, and 24, viz. Messrs. M'Ilvaine, Griswold, Loutrel, Snowden, Van Rensselaer, Kidney, Washbon, Hobart, Moore, Adams, Trevett, Cushing, A. C. Coxe, Sherwell, Cary, Witherspoon, Akerly, J. C. Smith, Battin, Stewart, Walsh, G. Huntington, Nichols, and Axtell, are students of the Seminary; and several others will probably enter at the opening of the Seminary next week.

Josiah Perry has been transferred, as a candidate, to Vermont, John W. Clark to Virginia, and Philip E. Milledoler, M. D., to New Jersey. William Mulligan has requested the erasure of his name from the list of candidates on account of insufficient health for the prosecution of study, William D. Wedgewood, on account of present attention to secular engagements, and William Hall, jun., from a desire to seek the ministry of a dissenting denomination. Thomas N. De Wolf of the British Province of Nova Scotia, having prosecuted the studies of our General Theological Seminary, and become one of its alumni, and a candidate for orders in this Diocese, has with my full approbation, on his return to his native Province, been ordained by the Bishop thereof.

I have so often commended to the increased attention of the Diocese our several institutions for religious purposes, that I am reluctant again to press the subject upon you. But indeed, brethren, it is necessary to do so. Our Education and Missionary Society, most especially, and as intimately connected with its usefulness, those for the distribution of the Bible, the Book of Common Prayer, and Religious Tracts, all need a large accession of patronage. The greater part of you probably heard—allow me to say that it is right and proper that you should all have heard—their several reports, at their joint anniversary last evening. Might not the Convention, by some act of its own, endeavor to stir up a better feeling respecting them in this large and able diocese?

It is proper that I here make grateful record of an instance of munificence to the Bible and Common Prayer Book Society, of which the public prints have given you information. The late pious and excellent Mr. Jacob Shatzel, of this city, in life a pattern of

liberality, bequeathed a legacy to that Society of \$2000, as a permanent fund, to be paid at the death of his widow. Circumstances, however, justifying a fear that technical difficulties might arise to the payment of the legacy at the time assigned, that worthy lady has presented an equal amount to the Society, in consideration of its waiving all claim under the will.

As the late Protestant Episcopal Press was frequently mentioned in Episcopal addresses, it is proper that I here record the dissolution of that institution under circumstances of embarrassment arising out of defect of patronage. Our excellent paper, however, *The Churchman*, which had belonged to it, was saved, by individual enterprise and liberality, from being involved in the pecuniary perplexities of the Press, and is still continuing its career of high and extensive usefulness, with, I am happy to say, the obviously increasing approbation and confidence of the community.

Many years ago, a movement was made in the Convention on the important subject, commending itself to our best feelings, of some provision for aged and infirm clergymen. There appeared then a strange apathy on the subject, which I should be sorry to think still exists. I submit to the Convention the propriety of a recurrence to it.

BENJAMIN T. ONDERDONK.

New-York, October 1, 1840.

On motion of Rev. Dr. Lyell,

Resolved, That when this Convention adjourns, it adjourn to meet at six o'clock this evening.

On motion of Rev. Alonzo Potter, D. D., so much of the Bishop's Address as relates to aged and infirm clergymen was referred to a Committee of five: Rev. Drs. Potter and Milnor, Messrs. Peter A. Jay, Gulian C. Verplanck, and James F. Depeyster.

On motion, the Order of the day was further postponed until six o'clock this evening.

The Standing Committee on the Treasurer's Report presented the same audited as follows:—

REPORT.

*The Convention of the Diocese of New-York, in account current with
C. N. S. Rowland, Treasurer.*

October 4, 1839.		DR.	
To Cash	paid to the Rev. Clergy, for mileage,	- -	\$ 88 98
"	J. K. Herrick, bill for Stationary	- -	16 81
"	George Hogg, bill, for folding, &c. Journal of 54th Convention.	- -	37 50
"	David Felt & Co., bill, for printing do.	- -	295 14
"	Protestant Episcopal Press, balance acct.	- -	110 91
"	William R. Taylor, bill, preparing Roll Book,	- -	1 50
"	James Van Norden, printing certificates of Candidates for Orders,	- -	5 00
"	General Protestant Episcopal Sunday School Union, bill, printing Journal 55th Convention,	- -	237 65
"	Samuel Waterbury, bill, Table and Ballot Boxes,	- -	10 25
"	Balance of Diocesan Fund (appropriated) towards payment to be made to Gen- eral Convention,	- -	69 02
To Cash	paid William H. Harison, Esq. Treasurer of Episcopal Fund,	- -	872 76 175 82
"	C. N. S. Rowland, Treasurer of Mission- ary Fund,	- -	464 76
"	C. N. S. Rowland, Treasurer of Education Fund,	- -	151 50
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Oct. 1839.		CR.	
By Cash	received from 62 parishes for Diocesan Fund,	- -	872 76
" " "	28 parishes for Episcopal Fund,	- -	175 82
" " "	40 parishes for Missionary Fund,	- -	464 76
" " "	21 parishes for Education Fund,	- -	151 50
			<hr/> \$1,664 84

E. E.
New-York, 28th September, 1840.

C. N. S. ROWLAND, Treasurer.

The Standing Committee to whom was referred the Treasurer's accounts, respectfully report, that they have examined the same, and carefully compared them with the vouchers, and found them correct—leaving a balance of \$69 02, in the hands of the Treasurer.

ISAAC CAROW,
S. CAMBRELING.

New-York, Oct. 1, 1840.

The Report of the Standing Committee on the Theological Seminary was presented and read as follows :

REPORT.

The Committee on the General Theological Seminary report, that the Diocese of New-York is entitled to 42 Trustees in that Institution, viz.

The Diocese, as such,	- - - - -	1	Trustee.
191 Clergymen, being 1 Trustee for every 8 Clergymen,	- - - - -	23	"
		<hr/>	24

		Brought forward,	24
Amount of Contributions by the State and Diocese of New-York up to General Convention of 1838 as then reported,	- - - -	\$151,783 97	
Deduct for Western Diocese,	- - - -	10,000 00	
		<u>\$141,783 97</u>	
Added in 1839,	- - - -	1,434 19	
" 1840,	- - - -	5,959 99	
		<u>\$149,169 15</u>	
For which the Diocese is entitled to, for the first, \$10,000	5 Trustees.		
One for every \$10,000 over the first 10,000,	- - - 13		18
			<u>Total, 42</u>
		W. CREIGHTON, <i>Chairman.</i>	

The Report of the Trustees of the Fund for the support of the Episcopate was presented and read as follows :—

REPORT.

The Trustees of the Fund for the support of the Episcopate in the Diocese of New-York, respectfully report,

That agreeably to their Report of 2d October, 1839, the fund amounted to the sum of	- - - -	\$68,110 09
<i>viz.</i> Bonds and mortgages of real estate,	- -	\$67,500 00
Surplus of interest then unpaid over sum borrowed by the trustees in anticipation,	- -	497 94
Cash in the hands of the Treasurer,	- -	112 15
		<u>\$68,110 09</u>

Of which the sum of \$191 04 belonged to the fund for accumulation.

The following sums have since been *paid* out of, and in anticipation of receipts of the disposable income; *viz.*

To the Bishop, in part, of one year's salary,	-	\$5,800 00
One year's insurance of Episcopal residence,	-	24 00
The above amount of \$191 04, being so much of the contributions for the year 1838-9 before reported, included in a deposit with The New-York Life Insurance and Trust Company, for accumulation, pursuant to the resolution of the Convention,	- - - -	191 04

Total payments,

\$6,015 04

And the following sums (to be added to the amount of cash in the hands of the Treasurer at the date of last report, have been *received*; *viz.*

From St. Paul's Church, Tompkinsville, through the Treasurer of the Convention, a contribution for the year 1837-8,	- - - -	\$ 112 15
		5 80

Carried forward, \$117 95

\$6,015 04

of New-York, 1840.

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Brought forward	\$ 117 95		\$6,015 04
From Trinity Church, New-York, the sum voted in aid of the income of the fund for the year 1839-40 - -	1,600 00	1,717 95	
For Interest, - - - - -	4,698 11		
Less amount which at the date of last report had been borrowed in antici- pation of so much thereof,	1,150 00	3,548 11	
Total Receipt,			5,266 06
Balance due to the Treasurer from the disposable fund,			\$748 98
The fund, the interest of which is applicable to the support of the Bishop, consists of			
Bonds and mortgages as in last year's report, - - - -			67,500 00
And the unpaid interest thereon computed to 1st Octo- ber, 1840, - - - - -		1,653 74	
Less the above balance due to the Treasurer, 748 98			
And the remainder of the Bishop's salary, which is payable on that day, - - - -	500 00	1,248 98	
			404 78
Total,			\$67,904 76
The fund for <i>accumulation</i> , in accordance with the arrangement with Trinity Church, consists of			
A certificate of deposit of The New-York Life Insurance and Trust Company, dated 9th October, 1839, bearing five per cent. inter- est for - - - - -			361 06
One year's interest thereon - - - - -			18 05
Cash in the hands of the Treasurer, being contributions received since the deposit was made, - - - - -			184 13
Total,			\$563 24

The *contributions* received since the last report have been as fol-
lows; viz.

For the year 1838-9,			
By St. John's Church, Cold Spring, L. L.	\$3 00		
St. George's " Newburgh,	10 00		
Trinity " Windham,	1 00		
St. Anna's " Fishkill Landing,	5 00		
Christ " Hudson,	5 00		
Christ " Duaneburg,	13 75		
Christ " Patterson,	2 65		
St. James' " North Salem,	3 12		
St. Andrew's " Harlaem,	5 00		
St. James' " Hyde Park,	10 00		
Christ " Manhasset,	4 75		
St. Peter's " Lithgow,	1 00		
St. George's " Hempstead,	16 69		
Trinity " Rensselaerville,	1 00		
St. George's " Schenectady,	6 15		
St. Paul's " East Chester,	6 50		
St. Peter's " Albany,	10 00		

Carried forward, \$104 61

	Brought forward,	\$104 61	
St. Paul's	" Sing Sing,	8 00	
St. Thomas'	" Mamaroneck,	2 00	
Zion	" New-York,	10 00	
St. James'	" Goshen,	18 00	
Christ	" Rye,	4 00	
St. Andrew's	" Staten Island,	6 62	
St. Luke's	" Mechanicsville,	1 50	
St. John's	" Stillwater,	2 43	
Christ	" Troy,	3 44	
Grace	" Whiteplains,	9 42	
Total through the Treasurer of the Convention of 1839.		170 02	
By St. Stephen's Church,	New-York,	22 64	
Trinity	" New Rochelle,	5 50	
St. Matthew's	" Unadilla,	4 00	
For the year 1839-40.			\$202
By St. Stephen's Church,	New-York,	9 03	
St. Bartholomew's	" "	17 00	
All Saint's	" "	20 00	
St. Paul's	" Troy,	39 07	
Trinity	" New Rochelle,	5 00	
St. George's	" Flushing,	15 00	
Zion	" New-York,	10 25	
St. Luke's	" "	36 64	
			\$151 99

The whole sum contributed for the year 1838-9 was \$393 20 by thirty-six churches and chapels.

Two of the contributions to the fund that are mentioned in the parochial and missionary reports appended to the Journal of the last Convention have not been received. And in two other instances in the same reports, where it is said that contributions to the different benevolent institutions of the Church in this Diocese have been made agreeably to the directions of the Canons, or in addition to the other collections required by the Canon, it must not be understood that those parishes contributed to the Episcopal Fund in that year.

All which is respectfully submitted,

WM. H. HARISON, Treas.	} Trustees.
WM. JOHNSON,	
THOMAS SWORDS,	
CHRIS. WOLFE.	

New-York, September 29th, 1840.

The Rev. Dr. M'Vickar laid upon the table the Annual Report of the New-York Protestant Episcopal City Mission Society for the year 1840, which on motion, together with that part of the Bishop's Address relating to said society was referred to a Committee of Five : Rev. Dr. M'Vickar, Wainwright, Smith and Messrs. William H. Harison and William Betts.

Rev. Prof. Potter on the part of the Committee on the subject of the relief of aged and infirm Clergymen, made a verbal report, and asked leave to be continued until the next Convention. On motion, the Committee were continued.

The Committee appointed to revise the Rules of order presented the following

REPORT.

The Committee appointed to revise the rules of Order of this Convention beg leave respectfully to report,

That they recommend the following additions to the present rules as they appear on page 111 of the Journal of last year (Appendix No. V.)

1. In rule 2, first paragraph, after the word Secretary add the words "and a Treasurer, the former of whom," and strike out the word "who." In the second paragraph alter the word "four" to "five," and add at the end "5. On The Education and Missionary Society of the Diocese and the New-York Protestant Episcopal City Mission Society."

2. Instead of Rule 9, substitute the following. IX. The Election of the Standing Committee and of the Delegates to the General Convention shall be held on the second day of the meeting. Five Inspectors of the Election shall be appointed immediately after the reading of the minutes, who shall retire and open the Poll in a separate apartment. Two suitable boxes for each order shall be provided, in one of which shall be deposited the votes for the members of the Standing Committee, and in the other the votes for Delegates to the General Convention, if any then to be elected. Delegates and Supplemental Delegates to the general Convention shall be voted for with the same ballot. The Poll shall be closed at one o'clock, P.M. on the same day; and the report of the Inspectors shall be in order at any time afterwards.

All which is respectfully submitted,

BENJAMIN I. HAIGHT,
JAMES W. COOKE,
BENJAMIN M. BROWN.

On motion the Additions to Rule II, were adopted. The Substitute for Rule IX, on motion of the Rev. Dr. Anthon, was laid over for consideration until the next Convention.

The Committee appointed at the last Convention on the Episcopal Residence made the following

REPORT.

The Committee to whom was referred a communication from the Vestry of Trinity Church in the city of New-York, together with a declaration of Trust accompanying the same—

Respectfully Report:

That the vestry of Trinity Church in 1838 appropriated \$18,000 in aid of the Episcopal Fund, of which sum \$16,500 were with their consent applied to the purchase of a house in Franklin Street, in the city of New-York, which house was conveyed by Henry Phelps the Vendor and his wife to nine gentlemen as joint tenants in fee by a deed dated the 15th of Oct. 1838. The grantees are four of the trustees of the Episcopal Fund, and five trustees of the Protestant Episcopal Society for promoting religion and learning in the State of New-York.

On the 20th Nov. 1838, the nine grantees executed the Declaration of Trust referred to the Committee, which has been duly recorded. It is thereby declared that they held \$1,500, being the residue of the said \$18,000, in trust, to apply it to repairing and furnishing the house with a view to its being occupied by the Bishop; and that they held the house on certain trusts which are in substance as follows:—

To lease it and pay over the rents and profits to the Treasurer of the Episcopal Fund, to be applied for the maintenance and expenses of the Bishop, or to permit him to occupy the house rent free, till otherwise directed by the Convention.

Out of the rents to keep the house in repair, and insured against fire, and to pay taxes and assessments.

If the convention direct the house to be sold, and the proceeds to be invested in other real estate, or paid to the Treasurer of said Fund, as part of the permanent capital thereof, such directions are to be complied with.

The Convention may also direct the premises to be conveyed to any corporation on such trusts as they may see fit, but so that the rents shall be applicable to the support of the Bishop for the time being.

The Instrument also contains provisions for the appointment of new trustees.

The Bishop now resides in this house, and it appears that while he occupies it, no provision is made for the payment of taxes and assessments, nor for insuring and repairing it: these burdens therefore fall upon him.

By the statutes of this State, all express trusts, except certain enumerated ones, are prohibited, and every conveyance is forbidden which renders land inalienable or postpones the vesting of an absolute fee simple for more than two lives.

The Committee fear that the trusts contained in this Instrument are not such as a court of law would consider valid.

They therefore submit to the Convention the expediency of applying to the Legislature for an act confirming the deeds.

All which is respectfully submitted,

P. A. JAY, *Chairman.*

New-York, September 30, 1840.

Whereupon, on motion of Mr. Jay it was

Resolved, That application be made to the Legislature of the State for an act confirming the conveyances relating to the house purchased for the use of the Bishop.

Resolved, That the following Petition, signed by the Right Rev. President, and attested by the Secretary, be forwarded to the Legislature.

PETITION.

To the Honourable the Legislature of the State of New-York.

The Petition of the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of New-York

Respectfully sheweth:

That a house and lot in the city of New-York have been purchased for the use of the Bishop of the said Church for the time being, and have been conveyed to trustees for that purpose. But that, (as they are advised) it may be doubtful whether such trusts are valid under the existing laws without the express permission of the Legislature.

Your petitioners respectfully request that an act may be passed confirming the deeds conveying the said house and lot, and declaring the said trusts.

Signed by order of the Convention.

On motion,

Resolved, That the same Committee be requested to take charge of the above Petition.

The Rev. William Richmond submitted the following Resolution, which, on motion, was laid upon the table, until the Report of the Committee on the memorial of the Education and Missionary Society should have been presented.

Resolved, That a Table be annexed to the printed Journal of the

Annual Convention, showing the names of every Church and Chapel in the Diocese, and the amount contributed by each during the preceding year to the Education, Missionary, Episcopal and Diocesan Funds respectively: which table shall be prepared by the Secretary, with the assistance of the Treasurers of those Funds.

Mr. William Bard was appointed a Trustee of the Fund for the support of the Episcopate, in place of Mr. Edward R. Jones, deceased.

The Convention then adjourned.

THURSDAY EVENING, 6 O'CLOCK.

Convention met pursuant to adjournment.

The minutes of the morning session were read and approved.

The Standing Committee on the Diocesan Fund made the following

REPORT.

The Committee on the proper appropriation of the money received into the Diocesan Fund, respectfully recommend the adoption of the following Resolution:—

Resolved, That there be paid to the Clergy entitled to the benefit of the said Fund, and who reside more than 20 miles from this city, *ten cents* per mile for every mile of the distance from their respective parishes; and that the remainder be appropriated to the printing of the journal, and such other purposes as the Convention may direct.

ORSAMUS H. SMITH,
WM. H. HARRISON,
C. N. S. ROWLAND,
WM. RICHMOND.

The Resolution recommended by the Committee was adopted.

The Committee to whom was referred the Communication of the Secretary, presented the following

REPORT.

The Committee to whom was referred the Communication of the Secretary in relation to the preservation of the records of this Convention,

Respectfully Report:—

That they have had the same under consideration, and are unanimously of opinion that the matter is of sufficient importance, to demand the immediate action of the Convention.—That the Church in a Diocese so extensive and important as that of New-York, should be without any authentic records of its past history, and should be yearly advancing under the Divine blessing in a bright career of usefulness and strength, without any care to preserve the proceedings of her most solemn councils, is a state of things which your Committee are persuaded that this Convention will agree to say, shall continue no longer.—

And whereas your Committee have been informed that one or more full sets of printed Journals of the Convention of the Church in this Diocese are now to be met with, they will venture to propose for the adoption of the Convention the following Resolutions,—

1. *Resolved*, That the Secretary, acting under the advice and with the sanction of a Committee of three, to be appointed by this Convention, do procure, if it be possible, either by purchase or otherwise as he best can, a complete set of the printed Journals of the Convention of the Church in the Diocese, from its first organization down to the present time.

2. *Resolved*, That the Secretary be instructed to cause the same to be transcribed in a suitable book of Record at the expense of this Convention.

3. *Resolved*, That it shall be the duty of the Secretary for the time being, to cause the minutes of the meetings of each Convention to be recorded in a suitable book, which shall be carefully preserved among the archives of the Church.

4. *Resolved*, That the Secretary for the time being is in like manner required to preserve cautiously the Journals of any of the Dioceses in these United States which may be sent to the Church in this Diocese, and that at the end of every year it shall be his duty to have them strongly bound together, and deposited among the other historical records entrusted to his care.

All which is respectfully submitted,
 THOMAS HOUSE TAYLOR,
 LOT JONES,
 WM. H. HARISON.

The first Resolution as proposed by the Committee was adopted.

The second Resolution was amended as follows, and thus amended was, on motion, re-committed to the same Committee for further consideration, with instructions to enquire into the expediency of causing to be reprinted at the expense of this Convention all or any of the past journals.

Resolved, That the secretary be instructed, under the sanction of the above Committee, to cause the same to be transcribed in a suitable book or books of Record at the expense of this Convention.

The Third and Fourth Resolutions were adopted.

The Convention took a recess of half an hour, to allow the Corporation for the relief of Widows and children of deceased Clergymen, opportunity to hold their Annual Meeting.

On resuming business, the Rev. Prof. M'Vickar from the Committee on the Memorial of the Education and Missionary society stated, that the Report of said Committee was in readiness.

The Memorial was then read by the secretary as follows :

MEMORIAL.

It having been *resolved*, at a meeting of the Board of managers of the Education and Missionary Society of the diocese of New-York, held in the Sunday School room of St. John's Chapel, on Monday Evening the 28th inst. "that a Committee of Five persons be appointed to prepare a report, to be presented to the Convention of the Diocese at its next session, on the past and present state of the Society, and to solicit from that body such action in the premises, as in their wisdom

shall seem best calculated to place its finances upon a secure foundation, to give increased efficiency to its operations, and to make it, what it was evidently intended to be, the authoritative and efficient agent of the Convention for aiding in Education for the ministry, and for Missionary purposes in the Diocese." And the undersigned having been appointed that Committee, they would in the discharge of the duty assigned to them, respectfully report :

That in their judgement, as well as that of the Society which they represent, the time has arrived when some further action on the part of the Convention is indispensably necessary, in order to the efficiency of that agency which by the Convention has been devolved upon the society.

In regard to the past state of the Education and Missionary Society, the Committee will not long occupy the time of the Convention, presuming that most of the facts in its past history are already familiar to the members of that body. They will only ask attention to the following particulars :—That this Society grew out of "the New-York Protestant Episcopal Missionary Society," which was auxiliary to the "Committee" appointed by the Convention "for propagating the Gospel in the State of New-York," the said society being a voluntary association not dependent upon the Convention for any express legislation in its favor. In 1832 the present Society, embracing the two objects of Education for the ministry and the support of Missions in the Diocese, took place of the former Committee and Society; and was recognized by the Convention as its authorized agent for these important purposes. Subsequently to this, a contribution to both branches of the Society was, by an express canon, made obligatory upon every Congregation in the Diocese.

After such action had by the Convention, it might reasonably have been supposed that the Society could not but have been amply supplied with funds, and efficiently sustained in its operations. The attention of the Convention is called to the fact, that such *never has been the case*. The Society has indeed been enabled to continue its labors, and annually, it is trusted, to effect no small amount of good, both in furnishing the means to educate young men for the ministry, and in contributing to the support of missionaries in various parts of the Diocese—but its labors have ever been prosecuted amid anxieties, apprehension, and embarrassments. By the failure of expected collections, its managers have again and again been made to fear lest they should be unable to fulfil engagements into which they had honestly entered, or be constrained to reduce the number of its beneficiaries and missionaries, when the wants of the Diocese were pleading loudly and eloquently for an increase of the number. Urgent necessity has again and again forced them to *issue circulars, to call public meetings, and to try various expedients, to draw forth if possible enough of the liberality and wealth of the churchmen of the Diocese, to make good existing engagements, or to liquidate heavy yet unavoidably—contracted debts*. To advert to but a few instances.

In the report of the year 1834, it was stated that the receipts for the year then ending had amounted to only \$4,300, while those of the preceding year had amounted to \$6000—and that the Society was, at that time more than \$2,000 *in debt to its Treasurer!* Subsequently, (in the year 1836, it is believed) recourse was had to the issuing of a circular—and to the calling of a public meeting at which, after animating addresses, a subscription was opened, and committees were appointed for each parish in the city, to solicit further donations. Within a few months the same mortifying difficulties have recurred—the Treasury having been largely overdrawn, and more than \$3,000 needed to meet the payments of the quarter ending on the 1st of July. The expedient of a circular was again tried, and happily with effect; having been responded to in a sum more than sufficient to meet the existing demand, and yet unless contributions be handed to the Treasurer at the present meeting of the convention, there will again be a deficiency to meet the payments which are due on the 1st October—while the Education Board are compelled to state, that there are now *seven* applicants for aid, which in the present state of their finances, they dare not please themselves to extend!

Were the managers of the Society conscious that they had been justly chargeable with remissness in exertion, or extravagance in appropriations, or imprudence in expenditure, they would feel that it would become them to bear the shame and

reproach of their own folly or unfaithfulness, and that they had no right to obtrude their self created difficulties, upon the notice of the Convention, or to ask its intervention in their behalf. But *such is not the fact*. Their engagements and appropriations have ever been made, on the *faith of an income to be reasonably expected*; and the deficiency in that income, is to be mainly ascribed to the *failure of many of the churches to make both collections required by the 15th Canon*. In proof of this, it was stated in the printed report of the Society for 1834—when so large an indebtedness to the Treasurer was announced, “that more than 100 of the Episcopal Churches in the state were that year delinquent as to *any contributions for the Society*,” and it is undeniable that the deficiency of the present year, which was recently met by an extraordinary effort, resulted from similar remissness as to the *collection of the preceding and the earlier part of the present year*.

The Society has vainly endeavored to devise a remedy for an evil so severely felt. It has seemed to it *wrong both in principle and policy*, to rely upon extraordinary, and as they have well been termed *spasmodic*, efforts to relieve the pressure which called them forth, as being inconsistent with that equable christian action which alone is healthful and permanently effective, and as sure to fail in their influence from frequent repetition. It has occurred to them indeed, to recommend the division of the parishes of the Diocese into 4 classes, each of which should furnish its contribution during a specified quarter of the year, or as a still better plan, the requirement that the contribution to both branches of the Society should be made in every parish during the first quarter of each year, thus enabling the managers early to know their true state and to regulate their action accordingly. But in reference to this, as to any other plans they might devise, they felt all legislation on their part to be vain, from the want of coercive power to carry it into effect. If a Canon of the Convention requiring an annual contribution to each of its funds was not respected, the Society was aware that any enactment of its own, as to the time when the Contribution should be made, would be nugatory. If a *Canon of the Church*, could not secure these collections *during the year*, a resolution of the Society could not reasonably be expected to call them *punctually in, during the quarter*. The root of the difficulty seemed to be a *want of conscientious obedience to canonical requirement*, and this difficulty the Society felt itself, of course, powerless to remedy.

Thus situated, the Society deemed it best to throw itself back upon the body, from which its authority emanated, and to which it is responsible for its agency. From the *labors* of that agency, it has no desire to be released—but the responsibilities involved are felt to be too heavy, unless it be better enabled to meet them. As the matter now stands, the entire Education and Missionary cause of the Diocese, is entrusted to its care. The 15th Canon in imposing this obligation, aimed also at providing the means for its due discharge: but the Canon, in regard to the latter particular, is with many Churches, made “a dead letter”—the enjoined collections are *not* made, and still the Society is expected to do its work—to educate beneficiaries, and aid in supporting missionaries—to find in short men for the work of the Ministry—and pay them while doing it. Its “tale of bricks is not diminished—but the straw is not furnished.”

There would, it is conceived, have been a want of common justice to itself, and common fairness to the Convention, in suffering this state of matters to go on, (even if it could go on,) without a candid statement to the Convention, and an appeal to it for such action as its wisdom may suggest, and the exigency of the case demand.

The Church itself has made provision for securing obedience to its *Canonical* regulations. The Convention therefore must be supposed to have the power through its presiding officer, to enforce its own Canons. If it have not, the passing of them is a nullity and a mockery—if it have, it rests with it, and with its head, to say, how, and in what mode, and to what extent, it shall be exercised. The object of the Society, through its Committee, in the present report, is to throw the whole subject open to the legislation of the Convention—and to transfer to it, its own now disproportionate responsibilities. Whether the Convention can devise any means of bringing moral motives more effectually and generally to bear, or can secure the obedience of the Clergy and Churches through the medium of penal sanctions, and which of these, or whether both should be essayed, it rests

with the Convention to determine: The undersigned, in behalf of the Education and Missionary Society of the Diocese, ask for an early and a serious consideration of the subject thus presented, and for some definite action on the same, either immediately by the Convention itself, or mediately through a special Committee instructed to report in season to have such report acted on at the present session.

All which is respectfully submitted,

HUGH SMITH,

LOT JONES.

BENJAMIN I. HAIGHT.

CHARLES N. S. ROWLAND.

The Report of the Committee on the above Memorial was then presented and read as follows :—

REPORT.

The Committee to whom was referred the consideration of the Report of the Education and Missionary Society,

Respectfully report :

That the melancholy and disgraceful destitution of funds in which that Society, the recognized agent of the Church, has been left—is the result of the provisions of the 15th Canon, making provision for collection for those objects, not being complied with.

That it is therefore expedient and necessary to give to the provisions of that Canon a more efficient and certain operation.

With a view to carry out this object, that the following addition to 15th Canon be recommended.

Add SECT. 3. In case of failure to make and pay over such canonical contribution on or before the annual opening of the Convention—such delinquent congregation and minister to lose their right of voting in its deliberations, until the Provisions of the Canon be complied with.

JOHN M'VICKAR,

BENJ. I. HAIGHT,

WM. I. KIP,

JOHN STEARNS.

After discussion, at the request of the Chairman, the Committee had leave to withdraw their Report, and the Committee were discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

Mr. T. L. Ogden proposed the following alteration of Canon 15.

Section 2 to be altered so as to read,

“It shall be the duty of every Rector or Minister in this Diocese, to make an annual Collection in their respective Churches, in aid, &c.” and strike out all after the word “Journal.”

According to Canon 18, this proposition was referred to a Committee of two Presbyters and two Laymen. The Bishop appointed Rev. Mr. Higbee, Rev. Dr. Sherwood, Messrs. T. L. Ogden and Samuel Jones.

Hon. Samuel Jones proposed a similar alteration in Canon 13 “of the Episcopal Fund,” which was referred to the same Committee.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Potter,

Resolved, That the subject of the Missionary Operations of this Diocese be referred to a Committee of five to report thereon at the next Convention. The Bishop appointed the Rev. Alonzo Potter, D. D., William L. Johnson, Robert B. Van Kleeck, and Messrs. William H. Harison and Gulian C. Verplanck, as said Committee.

On motion of Mr. Harison, The Memorial of the Education and Missionary Society, together with the resolution of Rev. William Richmond, offered this morning, were referred to the Committee on the proposed alterations of Canons 13 and 15.

The Report of the Committee on the New-York Protestant Episcopal City Mission Society was then presented as follows :

REPORT.

The Committee to whom was referred the Annual Report of the City Mission Society, together with such portion of the Bishop's Address as related to the same,

Respectfully report,

That the operations of said Society evince the need and value of its labors,—and the necessity of a more organized provision for its support.

That recommending it therefore to the liberal patronage of the Church, the Committee report the following amendment to the 15th Canon, bearing upon missionary collections :—

Add to the Preamble, after word "Constitution," "as also those of the New-York Protestant Episcopal City Mission Society."

In Sect. 1. Change "Society" to "Societies respectively."

In Sect. 2. in line 3, after "said" insert "first named."

In Sect. 2. in line 4, after "Society" add "and also from each City Congregation, a further contribution in aid of the funds of the last named Society, to be paid over as made to their respective Treasurers, or to the Treasurer of Convention for that purpose."

JOHN M'VICKAR,
HUGH SMITH,
JONA. M. WAINWRIGHT,
WM. H. HARISON.

On motion, the proposition of the Committee to alter Canon 15, was referred to the Committee already appointed on that Canon.

On motion, Rev. Dr. M'Vickar was added to said Committee.

The Convention then adjourned.

FRIDAY MORNING, 9 O'CLOCK.

Convention met. Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. Hiram Adams, Rector of Trinity Church, Ulster, after which the Bishop took the chair.

The minutes of last evening's session were read and approved.

Mr. William C. Carter, a Lay Delegate from the Church of the Messiah, Glenn's Falls, Warren county, appeared and took his seat.

The Committee to whom was referred the proposed alterations of Canons 13 and 15, and the Memorial of the Education and Missionary Society, presented the following

REPORT.

The Committee to whom were referred certain proposed alterations in the XIII and XV. Canons, having considered the same, respectfully recommend

That the first section of the XIII Canon be so altered as to read,—*It shall be the duty of the Rectors or Ministers in this Diocese to make an Annual collection in aid of the fund*—instead of—"Every Congregation in this Diocese is required to make an Annual Contribution to the fund"—and that in line four, of the same section, the word *Collection* be substituted for the word "*Contribution*"—also that all of the section after the word "*Journals*" be stricken out.

The Committee further recommend that the XV Canon be amended as follows:—

Add to the preamble after the word "Constitution."—*As also those of the New-York Protestant Episcopal City Mission Society.*

In section first, change "Society" to *Societies respectively.*

In section second, strike out the first sentence and insert the following:—

It shall be the duty of the Rectors or Ministers in this Diocese to make an annual Collection in their respective Churches in aid of the Education Fund, and also an annual Collection in aid of the Missionary Fund of the first named Society. Also the Rector or Minister of each congregation in the city of New-York shall be required to make a further Collection in aid of the Funds of the last named Society, such Collections to be paid over to their respective Treasurers or to the Treasurer of the Convention, for that purpose.

In line four of section second, substitute *Collections* for "Contributions."

In the same section, strike out all that follows the word "*Journals.*"

The same Committee having had referred to them the Memorial of the Education and Missionary Society of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of New-York, concur in presenting to the Convention the following *Resolutions*:

Resolved, That the condition of the funds of the Education and Missionary Society of this Diocese, as disclosed in the Memorial before the Convention, is contemplated with apprehension and sorrow; and inasmuch as the reported deficiency may to some extent be considered as the consequence of a failure on the part of many of our Churches to comply with the canonical regulations, this Convention does hereby ask most earnestly that the special and instant attention of each Clergyman and each Congregation may be given to the subject. Entreating them to correct speedily an evil which is prostrating one of our best institutions, and which threatens our Diocese with deep and lasting injury.

Resolved, That this Convention are deeply sensible of the zeal and fidelity with which in circumstances of great difficulty and discouragement the Managers of the Society have hitherto conducted its affairs, and that they be exhorted to persevere in their laudable exertions,—the members of this Convention pledging to the Society, their hearty co-operation in promoting the great ends of its establishment.

Resolved, That the Clergy and Congregations throughout the Diocese be earnestly exhorted by their promised devotion to the great interests of our Holy Religion, by their regard for the honour and prosperity of our Church, and by their sacred obligations faithfully to carry into effect the positive requirements of its constituted authorities, to use their united exertions to fulfil the high purposes of the various annual collections required by the Canons.

Resolved, As the sense of this Convention, that whilst the Clergy shall faithfully and zealously pursue the course prescribed to them by the authorities of the Church in respect to pecuniary collections, their appeals to the Christian benevolence of their people will be duly responded to.

All which is respectfully submitted,

EDWARD Y. HIGBEE,

Chairman of the Committee.

The proposition of the Committee to amend Canon 13 being under consideration, the Rev. Prof. Potter submitted the following substitute.

"It shall be the duty of every Rector or Minister having charge of a congregation, to provide that an Annual Collection or Contribution be made by said congregation in aid of the Fund for the support of the Episcopate; and in the case of a vacant parish, this duty shall devolve on the Wardens and Vestrymen. The amount of each Annual Collection or Contribution shall be reported by the Rector or Minister, or in the case of a vacant parish, by the Wardens thereof, to the stated Convention next after it has been made, and shall be entered upon its Journals."

On motion the same was laid over until the next Convention.

The proposition of the Committee to amend Canon 15 was, after discussion, laid upon the table.

The several Resolutions of the Committee were then considered and adopted, as also the Resolution offered by Rev. William Richmond yesterday, and which had been referred to this Committee and approved by them.

On motion of Rev. Prof. M'Vickar,

Resolved, That the zealous, faithful and unaided labours of the New York Protestant Episcopal City Mission Society during the past year, in the field of Missionary duty entrusted to them, are viewed by the Convention with deep sympathy and approbation, and the Society is hereby commended to the liberal contribution of Churchmen.

The Rt. Rev. President laid before the Convention the following Report of the Committee appointed at the last Convention "on the Missionary operations of the two Dioceses."

REPORT.

The Committee appointed by the last Convention on the subject of an adjustment with the Diocese of Western New York of the whole matter of Missionary operations in the two Dioceses, respectfully report,

That in conformity with instructions received from the Convention, they confer-

red with a Committee appointed for the purpose by the Board of Managers of the Education and Missionary Society, and in conjunction with them established a correspondence with a Committee of the Diocese of Western New York. The result of the whole is embodied in the following preamble and resolutions adopted by the Board of Managers aforesaid, and approved and concurred in by the other parties, viz:

Whereas by the Canon passed in the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of New York, held at Utica, in August 1838, prior to the division of the said Diocese, it is provided in case of a division in the Diocese, that whenever the Missionary Boards constituted under the said Canon to act jointly in the two Dioceses shall determine that it is expedient that said Boards should act separately and independently in their respective Dioceses; or when the Convention of either Diocese shall so determine, the Missionary Funds under the control of the two Boards shall be equitably and fairly divided.

And whereas the Convention of the Diocese of New York has appointed a Committee, with power to make a final arrangement with the Diocese of Western New York on the subject of Missionary operations;

And whereas the said Committee acting by direction of the Convention in concert with a Committee appointed by this Board, have made a proposal to the Board of Missions of Western New York, through its Bishop, to dis sever the joint action of the two Boards on certain terms, which terms are understood to be mutually assented to,

Therefore *Resolved*,

1. That the two Boards appointed under the Canon of 1838, for the joint conducting of Education and Missions in the two Dioceses of New York and Western New York, henceforth act separately and independently in the two Dioceses.

2. That all the present permanent Missionary Funds of this Society be and are hereby given and transferred to the Board of Missions of Western New York for Missionary purposes in said Diocese.

3. That there be paid to the Missionary Board of Western New York out of the disposable Missionary Funds of this Society for Missionary purposes in said Diocese, as follows, to wit,

\$4,000 for the year ending October 1st, 1840.
\$3,000 for the year ending October 1st, 1841.
\$2,000 for the year ending October 1st, 1842.
\$1,000 for the year ending October 1st, 1843.

Each in quarterly instalments payable on the 26th day of December, March, June and September in each year respectively.

4. That all the collections and contributions made in the Diocese of Western New York since the 1st day of October, 1839, and to be hereafter made for Missionary purposes under the 15th of the Canons now in force in both Dioceses, be retained by said Diocese for use therein.

5. That the Treasurer of this Board be hereby authorised to pay over the permanent Funds as above directed as soon as conveniently may be, and that he allow to the Western Diocese whatever interest may have accrued therein since the 1st of October, 1839, or may still accrue while the Funds are in his hands; and also that he considers all moneys paid to Missionaries in the Western Diocese for stipends due since the 1st of October last, as constituting part of the payment agreed to be made to said Diocese for the year ending October 1st, 1840.

Resolved, That the Bishop as President of the Board be requested to communicate the above preamble and resolutions to the Bishop and Missionary Board of the Diocese of Western New York, and at the same time to express on the part of this Board the sentiments of affection and respect with which they now terminate the official connection which has subsisted between the two Boards, and their hope and trust that although all connexion between this Board and the Diocese of Western New York must cease from the present time, yet that the Diocese of New York will ever be ready with a liberal hand to promote the interests of the sister Diocese of this State.

The Committee further respectfully report, for adoption by the Convention, the following resolutions:—

Resolved, That this Convention approves and concurs in the arrangement and settlement of the subject of the Missionary operations of this Diocese, and that of Western New York, as reported by the Committee to whom power in the premises was given by the last Convention.

Resolved, That this Convention cordially concurs in the expressions of affection and respect for our brethren of the Diocese of Western New York, contained in the resolutions of the Board of Managers of the Education and Missionary Society, and earnestly hopes that those brethren will ever find in the Clergy and Laity of this Diocese an affectionate willingness to extend all needed aid in the prosecution of the missionary work in their Diocese.

The Committee would further respectfully suggest, that as the object of the special Canon of 1838 is superseded by the above mentioned arrangement and settlement of the missionary concerns of the two Dioceses, it is expedient that the said Canon be repealed.

Signed in behalf of the Committee,
BENJAMIN T. ONDERDONK, *Chairman*.

The Resolutions of the Committee were adopted, and the Secretary was directed to forward a copy of the same to the Rt. Rev. President of the Convention of the Diocese of Western New-York.

Notice was given of intention to propose the repeal of the Canon of the Special Convention of 1838. The reference required by Canon 18, was unanimously dispensed with.

Mr. C. N. S. Rowland was re-elected Treasurer of Convention.

The Report of the Committee on the Constitution and Canons was then called up, and on motion, re-committed, together with the alterations proposed at this meeting, of Canons 13 and 15, to the same Committee.

On motion, 1000 copies of the Journal were ordered to be printed, under the direction of the Secretary.

The minutes of the morning session were then read and approved.

The Convention having united in singing the last three verses of the 86th Psalm, and prayer, after receiving the benediction, adjourned *sine die*.

BENJAMIN T. ONDERDONK, D. D.,

Bishop of the Diocese of New-York, and President of the Convention.

Attest,

BENJAMIN I. HAIGHT, *Secretary*.

APPENDIX.

No. 1.

PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

The following portions of the Parochial Reports made to the Bishop, are published by his direction :

St. Paul's Church, Albany ; the Rev. WILLIAM I. KIP, Rector.

From the time of last Convention until March, the members of this Church being without a building in which to worship, were indebted to the kindness of the congregation of St. Peter's Church for seats, and attended divine service with them. The new Church edifice was consecrated on the 22d of February. Owing, therefore, to the unsettled state of the congregation, (one third of its members having united with it during the last six months) this report cannot be made out with the accuracy requested by the Bishop. For the same reason, as the church has been involved in heavy expenses for building, it has been impossible to make the required collections. A regular plan for monthly missionary contributions during the coming year, has been adopted, and will commence the present month, (October).

Communicants, about 117; Baptism (adults 4, infants 42,) total 46; Marriages, 10; Burials, 10.

On the 2d Sunday after Easter, 33 persons were confirmed.

Vols. in the Parish Library, about 180.

The Sunday school was organized on the 1st Sunday of the last month (September). The average attendance of scholars at present is only about 50; but as 18 teachers have already offered their services, the school will probably soon be doubled in number.

St. Peter's Church, Albany ; the Rev. HORATIO POTTER, D. D., Rector.

Contributions :—

Jubilee College, - - - - -	\$200 00
To build Churches in this Diocese and in Texas, -	120 00
Foreign Missions, - - - - -	75 00
Domestic Missions, - - - - -	75 00
Diocesan Mission and Education, - - - - -	75 00
Protestant Episcopal Tract Society, - - - - -	20 00
" Sunday-school Union, - - - - -	20 00
Episcopal Fund, - - - - -	15 00
Diocesan Fund, - - - - -	20 00

\$620 00

The collections for these objects have been recently made, and are not yet completed, so that the above amount will probably be increased in a few days.

Marriages 14; Baptisms (adults 7, infants 50) 57; Funerals 36; Sunday school Teachers 18; Children 130; Persons confirmed 37; Communicants, (died 7, removed 12, added 37,) whole number something over 200.

A course of lectures on the leading doctrines of Christianity and the distinctive principles of the Church was commenced in January and continued until Easter. The number of communicants here as elsewhere would be much greater, but for the influence of false views, derived from prevalent systems, respecting the nature and use of the Sacrament.

Trinity Church, Rennselaerville, Albany county; the Rev. SAMUEL FULLER, Rector.

Baptized, Adults, 4; Children, 3; Confirmed, 9; Marriage, 1; Funeral, 1; Communicants, (Added as new Communicants 5, Removed from the parish 5,) present number 60. Sunday School, Teachers 10, Scholars 30.

Contributions:—

Education Fund, - - - - -	\$ 4 00
Missionary Fund, - - - - -	27 00
Episcopal Fund, - - - - -	1 00
Diocesan Fund, - - - - -	4 00
Bible and Prayer Book, - - - - -	3 00
Tract, - - - - -	3 00
Domestic Department of General Missionary Society, - - - - -	5 00
By a Lady for the same purpose, - - - - -	5 00

The Communion has been administered seven times.

I have performed the service and preached 7 times, and assisted in the service 8 times.

I baptized 3 children; and administered the Communion 5 times.

The Rector of this parish, being infirm, is assisted by the Missionary at the Station, the Rev. Orsamus H. Smith.

Christ Church, Hudson; the Rev. ISAAC PARDEE, late Rector.

Communicants, (removed 5, died 5, added 16) whole number 110; Baptisms, (adults 6, children 18,) whole number 24; Marriages 7; Burials 9; Confirmations 19.

Collections:—

Missionary branch of Education and Missionary Society, - - - - -	\$20 00
Domestic Missions, - - - - -	20 00
Theological Seminary, - - - - -	20 00

The parish has experienced a severe loss in the death of James Mellen its late senior Warden, but still the prospects of the Church have been decidedly more prosperous than in any preceding year, and the Rector has been cheered by many evidences of a growing seriousness in the congregation. The Sunday School justly continues to be the pride of the Parish, it has thirty faithful Teachers and over two hundred children. It is entirely under the control of the Rector; once a month he questions the whole School on the catechism publicly in the Church, and delivers a familiar lecture to the children on every Sunday. For several years past a majority of those who have become communicants of the Church have been from the Teachers and pupils of the School. Besides the observance of the ordinary festivals and fasts, the Church was opened every day during Passion week, and a sermon delivered by the Rector. The influence of these solemn services upon the congregation was evidently most salutary. This report extends to the twenty-fourth of August, at which time the Rector resigned the Parish; and he would here express his gratitude for the entire harmony which has existed in the congregation since his connexion with it, and for the very cordial manner in which his services have been ever received.

St. John's Church, Delhi, Delaware county; the Rev. THOMAS S. JUDD, Rector.

Baptized, (adults 6, children 11,) total 17; Confirmed 14; Marriages 2; Funerals 7; Communicants, (added as new communicants 9, removed from the Parish 6, died 2,) Present number 61; Catechumens, Sunday School, Teachers 8,

Scholars 65, who have been examined in the catechism openly in the Church 4 times in the last year. Bible Class, continued from first of October to first of May, and studying Acts of the Apostles, 25 members.

Contributions:—

Education Fund of Miss. and Education Soc.	-	-	\$5 00
Missionary Fund,	-	-	5 00
Episcopal Fund,	-	-	1 00
Diocesan Fund,	-	-	6 00

In the past year, Divine Service has been celebrated in the Parish, on the morning and Evening of each Lord's day, and a second Evening Prayer twenty-five times. Also, once each, on Christmas day, Ash Wednesday, and each day of Passion week. The Holy Communion has been administered on five occasions.

St. Peter's Church, Hobart, Delaware county; the Rev. STURGES GILBERT, Rector.

Baptisms (adult 1, infants 27) Communicants (added 22) whole number 66; Confirmed 18; Marriage 1; Burials 3.

Sunday School small and not as flourishing as we could wish. A useful Bible Class is generally well sustained. This Parish has suffered much by the removal of a number of the most wealthy families.

Trinity Church, Fishkill, Dutchess county; the Rev. ROBERT SHAW, Minister.

Baptisms, infants 7, Communicants (removed 2, died 1, added 1) 19; Burials 2.

Collections:—

Diocesan Missionary Fund,	-	-	\$10 00
" Education "	-	-	1 56
" Episcopal "	-	-	1 55
" Diocesan "	-	-	7 50

St. Anna's Church, Fishkill Landing, Dutchess county; the Rev. FREEMAN CLARKSON, Deacon, Minister.

Baptisms (infants 8, adults 2,) 10; Confirmed 10; Funerals 9; Communicants (added 14; removed from the Parish 14; Died 1;) Present Number 66; Sunday School Scholars in all 130; Of these learning Catechism 91.

Contributions:—

Education Fund of the Diocese,	-	-	\$ 8 00
The Missionary Fund,	-	-	13 57
Episcopal Fund,	-	-	9 12
Diocesan Fund	-	-	7 50
Foreign Mission,	-	-	32 00

Domestic not yet made,

The present Rector elect entered on his duties in the beginning of July of the present year. Previous to this time the Parish, since the latter part of February, has been without a stated pastor, the former Rector having resigned at this time. Besides the usual services on the Sunday, it is the intention of the Rector elect to have an Evening service during the week. In connection with the Sunday School Teachers' Meeting, he has also commenced a Bible Class, which meet once a week. In the Sunday School, the Children are regularly examined by him on the Scripture lesson of the day, and on every last Sunday in the month, when the Catechism is learnt, an examination in like manner is also made on it.

St. James' Church, Hyde Park, Dutchess county; the Rev. REUBEN SHERWOOD, D. D., Rector.

Baptisms (adults 4, children 20,) total 24; Confirmed 19; Funerals (persons belonging to the Parish 6, not belonging to the Parish 2) 8; Communicants (add-

ed as new communicants 5, removed into the Parish 3, removed from the Parish 2, died 1) present number 61; Catechumens about 60.

Contributions:—

For the Education Fund,	- - - -	\$20 00
“ Missionary “	- - - -	20 00
“ Episcopal, “	- - - -	7 00
“ Diocesan, “	- - - -	12 00
“ N. Y. Bible and Common Prayer Book Society,	- - - -	8 00
Protestant Episcopal Tract Society,	- - - -	7 00
To the Rev. Mr. Fiske for a Church in Indiana, about	- - - -	40 00
And for Parochial purposes, about	- - - -	12 00

The Congregation of St. James's Church is believed to be gradually increasing there being about twenty families more than there are pews in the Church.

The Rector has officiated several times at West Hyde Park, in Ulster county, where are a few Episcopal families, and where, the hope is still entertained, there will be, at no distant day, a respectable Parish.

Christ Church, Poughkeepsie, Dutchess county; the Rev. JOHN REED, D. D., Rector.

Families about 200; Communicants (added 17, died 5, removed 2) total 197; Baptisms (adults 7, infants 35,) total 42; Confirmed 5; Marriages 29; Burials 47; Sunday Scholars 106; Sunday school teacher 16.

Contributions:—

Missionary Board of Missionary and Education Society,	\$27 00
Education “ “ “ “	13 12½

St. Paul's Church, Poughkeepsie, Dutchess county; the Rev. FREDERICK W. HATCH, Rector.

Nothing particularly worthy of remark has occurred affecting the interests of this Church. The Rector believes there has been an increase of piety in its members—additions have been constantly accruing to its numbers, and hopes are confidently entertained of its future increase.

Communicants 56; added 20; removed 1; Baptisms, (adults 4, infants 3) 7; Funerals 1; Marriages 1.

Zion Church, Wappinger's Creek, Dutchess county; the Rev. GEORGE B. ANDREWS, Rector,

Baptisms, (adults 3, children 5,) 8; Confirmed 9; Marriages 2; Funerals 9; Communicants, (added 9, removed into parish 7, removed from parish 7,) present number 56; Catechumens and Sunday scholars 120.

Contributions:—

Education Fund, of Education and Missionary Society,	\$10 00
Missionary “ “ “ “	13 55
Episcopal Church in Richmond, Indiana,	44 00
Prayer Books for distribution,	4 00
Tracts for Libraries of Parishes and Sunday Schools,	4 83
For sundry objects,	27 39

\$103 77

Divine service on Sundays in Zion Church,	98
Occasional services on Festivals, Fasts, &c.,	11
In Christ Church, Marlborough, during vacancies of Ministers.	4
In Pleasant Valley,	1

Communion administered in Zion Church, 6; with the sick in private, 1; In Christ Church, Patterson, 1, total 8.

Children taught on all Sundays. Superintendent 1, Teachers 12, averaging an attendance of 10.

The prospects of this parish through the smile of Almighty God, considered favorable.

Church of the Cross, Ticonderoga, Essex county; a vacant parish reported by the Senior Warden.

Baptized (adults 18, infants 19) total 37; Confirmed 18; Communicants 32; Catechumens (7 baptized children, 7 unbaptized children) total 14—all Sunday Scholars.

Contributions :—

\$5 being the amount of Communion contributions placed in the hands of the Rev. P. Dyer, Rector of St. Paul's, Whitehall, and officiating rector of this parish. The above amount is subject to the disposal of the Bishop.

Remarks—The above statement is necessarily imperfect, as there is at present no minister. Since the last Convention, we have had divine service

On Sunday,	-	-	-	-	-	15	(twice each day.)
On other days,	-	-	-	-	-	4	
On Christmas Holy days,	-	-	-	-	-	2	

On the remaining Sundays of the year, with the exception of two, we have had service by lay-reading, twice each day.

During the same time the Holy Communion has been administered three times. Having no minister our children have not been catechised in Church.—The Sunday School is under the direction of one of the Wardens of the Church.

St. John's Church, Johnstown, Fulton county; the Rev. SALMON WHEATON, D. D., Rector.

This Church, at first built and partially endowed by Sir William Johnson, about seventy years since, was the first building erected for public worship, in the county seat of a very large county; and ought, under ordinary circumstances, to have had a numerous congregation. But from the death of its distinguished founder, at the commencement of the revolution, down to the present time, it has had to encounter difficulties of no ordinary nature. In addition to its other trials, it was three years since, Church, organ, and bell, together with a valuable part of the village, destroyed by fire.

When the present Rector first visited Johnstown, near the close of last year, he found a beautiful gothic stone church, erected on the site of the old one; but he found the congregation reduced to a very small number, a faithful remnant indeed, but much discouraged, by reason of their many afflictions, and because so few came to the solemn feasts. At their unanimous request, he consented to assume the charge of the parish; and early in May last, went to reside among them. In the few months that he has been with them, he has had the satisfaction to see the congregation much increased—more than doubled. They have recently obtained by subscription, a pleasant-toned organ; and are now engaged in erecting a handsome fence around their church. It need not be added, that the prospects of this church are, in all respects, much improved.

Baptisms (adult 1, children 12) 13; Marriage 1; Funeral 1; Communicants, present number 45.

Sunday School, teachers 7; scholars 34. Bible class, scholars 20.

Trinity Church, Athens, Greene county; the Rev. JOHN DOWDNEY, late Rector.

Baptisms (adult 1, children 12) total 13; Confirmed 5; Marriages 3; Funerals 8; Communicants (added as new communicants 4, removed from the parish 5, died 3) present number 77; Catechumens 60; of this number 31 were under the immediate instruction of the Rector. They were publicly examined once a

month in Catechism number three. The rest were taught by their respective teachers in the ordinary course of Sunday School instruction. All the members of the Sunday School, who could read were required to get a weekly lesson in the Church Catechism. The school consists of 80 scholars and 16 teachers. It was superintended by the Rector.

Contributions:—

Education fund of the Education and Missionary Society of the Diocese,	\$3 00
Missionary fund of " " " "	20 00
Episcopal Fund, " " " "	2 00
Diocesan Fund, " " " "	7 50
The New-York Bible and Common Prayer Book Society,	3 00
The Protestant Episcopal Tract Society, New-York,	4 50
The General Theological Seminary,	3 50
The Board of Missions of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, (Domestic Branch)	20 00
	<hr/> \$63 50

The system of monthly offerings has been tried the past year. A Bible class was held during the winter season, which embraced about 30 members. In addition to the regular Sunday services, a course of lectures on the Litany was delivered in the Church during Lent. Lectures were also delivered every morning during Passion week on the Gospel for the day. These Lent services were greatly blessed to the comfort and edification of those who attended them. Besides these occasions of public worship there was divine service and a sermon on the Fridays preceding the administration of the Holy Communion, on Thanksgiving day, on Christmas Eve, on Christmas day, on the Festival of the Circumcision, on Ash Wednesday, and on the Festival of the Ascension.

St. Luke's Church, Catskill, Greene county; the REV. JOSEPH F. PHILLIPS, Rector.

Persons Baptized, (adults 2, children 5,) total 7; Confirmed 7; Marriages 6; Funerals 9; Communicants, (added new 9, removed into the parish 2, removed from the parish 5, 1 to the Theological Seminary, died 4,) present number 79; Catechumens, (all Sunday Scholars) (in the catechism 27, in advance study 15, in elementary books 28,) total 70.

Contributions:—

Education Fund	\$1 00
Missionary "	1 50
Episcopal "	3 00
Diocesan "	4 00

(The large and exhausting contributions of the congregation, towards the erection of a new house of worship, the purchase of a bell and organ, and the defraying of other parochial expenses, must account for the small amount of the canonical contributions and the omission of the others.)

Divine Service.—The Holy Communion administered monthly and at Easter.

Prayers and Sermons, on Sundays; half the year, twice, the other half thrice;—on the principal Holy days, once; and also on Wednesday evenings through the year.

Catechists and Teachers, 13.—The Rector personally attends the Sunday School, and supervises the instruction, but has no opportunity at present to perform that part of his duty which consists in catechising the children "in open Church."

Miscellaneous Remarks.—Families, (removed into the parish 4, removed from the parish 3, dispersed 3,) present number about 43.

The charge of the parish of Cairo, assumed for a year in connexion with this, I relinquished in November last, the dispersed and unsettled state of this congregation requiring all my attention and services. We have been indebted to the

christian courtesy of the Methodist and Dutch Reformed congregations for the use of their respective houses of worship during the year.

Our new edifice is advancing rapidly towards completion : we have just purchased a fine bell, and hope to have the building ready for consecration in November next.

The "Ladies Benevolent Society," continue their praise worthy exertion. They have lately appropriated \$550, towards the purchase of an organ.

Trinity Church, Windham, Greene county; the Rev. ORIGEN P. HOLCOMB, Rector.

Baptized, (Adults 4, Children 3,) total 7; Confirmed 8; Funerals 1; Communicants (added 1, Removed into the Parish 1, Removed from the Parish 5, Died 1,) Present number 50.

Contributions :—

Diocesan Missionary,	-	-	-	-	-	\$3,00
Diocesan Fund,	-	-	-	-	-	3,00

The holy Communion is administered on the first Sunday in each Month, and on the principal Festivals of the Church, and the Rector performs various extra services and preaches in different parts of the Parish.

Christ Church, Brooklyn; the Rev. KINGSTON GODDARD, Rector.

Communicants (added from other congregations 28, as new communicants 23,) Total number added 51; Lost by Removal 20; Present number of Communicants 158; Baptisms (adults 9, infants 31,) total 40; Marriages 3; Burials 5.

Collections :—

Domestic Committee,	-	-	-	-	\$205 06
Foreign Committee,	-	-	-	-	205 06
Education and Missionary Society of Diocese,					158 16

Total, \$568 29

So great has been the increase of the Parish, (in some measure owing to the increase of the neighbourhood) that even the chapel as enlarged is found too limited for our accommodation. The vestry have therefore entered upon the erection of a New Church, the site of which is the liberal gift of one of their body, Nicholas Luquer, Esq. When finished it will be probably one of the finest specimens of Gothic Architecture in the country. As regards the spiritual state of the Parish we have every reason to bless and adore the Lord. Activity in religious duties, unity of sentiment and feeling, and a benevolence of spirit seem to characterise my charge. Many evidences of attachment and multiplied seals to my ministry make my sphere of labor exceedingly pleasant. I would here acknowledge the many acts of kindness on the part of my clerical Brethren, the Rev. Dr. J. L. Blake, and the Rev. Jno. F. Messenger, residents in my parish.

St. Ann's Church, Brooklyn; the Rev. BENJAMIN C. CUTLER, D. D., Rector.

Baptisms, (infants 52, adults 5,) 57; Marriages 13; Deaths 38; Communicants (added 40, died 4) 36; whole number about 400.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

No. 1—14 male, 23 female teachers; 325 Scholars; 985 volumes in the library.

No. 2—Teachers (8 male, 14 female) 22; Scholars 145; 400 volumes in the library.

In all 55 Teachers; 470 Scholars; 1385 vol'dmes.

Contributions for charitable and missionary objects, \$2,481.

The children of this parish are catechized in the Church on the afternoon of every Communion Sunday.

A new Rectory adjoining the Church has been completed during the past year,

and this parish through the goodness of God may be considered as in a flourishing condition.

St. John's Church, Brooklyn; the Rev. EVAN M. JOHNSON, Rector.

Marriages 45; Baptisms (adults 4, children, 78,) total 82; Communicants 145.

This is the present *actual number resident* in the congregation. A much larger number of names is on the list. It is difficult to tell, in a population so changeable, who have finally removed, and therefore all who consider themselves still as communicants.

The Sunday School continues its numbers and usefulness.

The whole amount of money collected from the members of the congregation is \$3002.74. The greater part of this has been appropriated towards the *payment of the debt of the Church*; the other part, to the Missionary and Education Society of the Diocese, agreeably to the canon, and to other various charitable, religious and missionary purposes.

Divine service is celebrated in the Church on every Wednesday morning through the year, and during Lent on Fridays also. A school for boys has been established; the children of which, in addition to their other exercises, are taught Sacred Music and assist in the week day services of the Church.

The Church is increasing in numbers, and it is to be hoped in piety and in the love of the truth.

St. Mary's Church, Brooklyn; the Rev. JOSEPH HUNTER, Deacon, Minister.

Baptized (adults 1, children 12,) total 13; Confirmed 3; Marriages 3; Funerals 2; Communicants (added as new 5, removed into the parish 6, removed from the parish 4,) present number 20; Catechumens—under this head I would report, that there are about 75 children receiving instruction in the Sunday School.

Contributions:

The Education Fund of the Education and Missionary Society of the Diocese,	\$5 00
The Missionary Fund of the same,	7 12
The Sunday School of the parish,	22 44

Divine service has been performed twice on Sundays—a lecture during the week, and a preparatory service on Friday before the communion. The children have been regularly and publicly examined in the Church catechism once a month. There are eight catechists engaged in the Sunday School, to whom the Pastor feels much indebted, under the blessing of God, for the encouragement he has received in his labors and for the degree of permanency which this infant parish has assumed.

Trinity Church, Brooklyn; the Rev. RICHARD C. SHIMEALL, Rector.

Baptisms, (adults 3, infants 7,) total 10; Confirmed 5; Marriages 4; Funerals 1; Communicants, (added as new 3, removed into the parish 7, removed from the parish 4,) present number 20; Catechumens 30 under regular instruction in the Sunday School.

The numerical strength and resources of this Parish are at present exceedingly limited. During this year, six families have removed, and ten have been added. Divine service has been performed regularly on Sunday, and recently a regular weekly service of increasing interest. The Holy Communion is administered monthly. During the season of Lent, divine service was holden regularly on Wednesdays and Fridays in the Church. In the Sunday School there are at present six female Teachers. In this department there is encouragement to hope for an accession both of Scholars and Teachers, and a more thorough organization of Catechetical and other religious instruction among the children and youth of the Parish.

St. Paul's Church, Flatbush, King's county; the Rev. WILLIAM BARLOW, Rector.

Baptized (adults 6, children 8,) total 14; Confirmed, persons belonging to the

parish 81; belonging to New-York 1; total 22; Communicants (added as new 7, died 1,) present number 24; Catechumens 75.

No collection has been made for any other purpose, than the support of our own Church. It is in its infancy, and its resources are too feeble to allow the diversion of any portion of them, to any other purpose.

The present Rector took charge of the Church last spring, since which time the Holy Communion has been administered four times. Divine service has been performed twice on each Sunday. The number of Catechists attached to the Sunday School is fourteen. The Rector has been in the habit of examining a class of Sunday Scholars in the Church Catechism on each Sunday, thus taking all the classes in rotation.

St. John's Church, Fort Humilton, King's county; the REV. J. DIXON CARRER, Rector.

Communicants 7; Marriage 1.

The Rector's duties in New York as Secretary and General Agent of the Domestic Committee, of the Board of Missions, have so much occupied his time and attention, as to continue to make his connexion with this parish little more than nominal. Residing altogether in that city, he has officiated for his brethren there, and in the vicinity, when opportunity and convenience permitted.

St. Mark's Church, Williamsburg, King's county; the REV. SAMUEL M. HASKINS, Rector.

Baptisms, (adults 3, children 14,) total 17; Confirmed, 10; Marriages, 1; Funerals, 2; Communicants, (added as new Communicants 17, removed into the parish 3, removed from the parish 1,) present number, 44; Catechumens, 50.

Contributions:—

Education Fund of the Education and missionary Society of the Diocese,	\$5 13
Missionary Fund of do.	4 25
Episcopal Fund,	2 00
Diocesan Fund,	2 00
Protestant Episcopal Tract Society,	2 00
Foreign Missions,	2 00
For the Poor,	12 30
For the erection of a Church for the Parish,	83 50

Total \$113 18

I entered upon my duties as Rector of this Parish, October 25th, 1839. Since which time Divine Services have been performed twice each Sunday, and also a third service and a weekly lecture during the season of Lent. The Chapel has been opened for services on the principal holy days of the Church, and on every morning of Passion week. The Holy Communion has been administered regularly every month. The children of the Sunday School have been instructed and examined by the Rector on the Church catechism, on the first Sunday in each month. There has also been a parish Bible class conducted by the Rector on every Sunday evening.

There is a "Ladies Sewing Society" connected with the Parish for clothing the poor children of the Sunday School, and for other benevolent purposes, the articles of the Society are disposed of at *private* sale, *fairs* being rejected from principle.

The Chapel being found entirely too small to convene the congregation, the Vestry, in December last, commenced building a Church. This building, which is of hammered stone of the Gothic order, is now externally completed, and the interior work commenced. If our anticipations are met, it will be ready for consecration by Christmas.

By the generosity of one of the Vestry, a fine toned organ was placed in the Chapel on Christmas eve.

As a Parish we have much to incite our gratitude to the Giver of every good and perfect gift, both for our temporal and spiritual prosperity during the past year.

There has been a good degree of seriousness in the Parish during the year but especially since Lent, and we may attribute much of it, and some of the additions to our communion—to the solemn impressions made by the *daily* performance of our *holy services*, which were without sermon or lecture during *Passion* and *Easter week*.

All Saints' Church, New York; the Rev. BENJAMIN I. HAIGT, Rector.

Families (including 20 single individuals,) 248; Baptisms (adults 14, children 55,) total 69; Confirmed 45; Marriages 22; Funerals 20; (of the Parish 12.) Communicants (added as new Communicants 46, Removed into the Parish 42, Removed from the Parish 10, Died 4,) Present number 257; Catechumens 90; Sunday Scholars 325.

Contributions :—

Education Fund of Diocese,	-	-	-	-	\$74 48
Missionary Fund	"	-	-	-	110 00
Episcopal Fund	"	-	-	-	20 00
Diocesan Fund,	-	-	-	-	37 50
N. Y. Bible and Common Prayer Book Society,	-	-	-	-	67 75
Protestant Episcopal Tract Society,	-	-	-	-	45 00
General Theological Seminary,	-	-	-	-	67 32
General P. E. Sunday School Union,	-	-	-	-	60 00
Board of Missions of P. E. Church,	-	-	-	-	
Domestic, (including Contribution for Michigan	-	-	-	-	
and Texas,)	-	-	-	-	355 06
Foreign,	-	-	-	-	132 57
Parish Sunday School,	-	-	-	-	100 00
Other objects,	-	-	-	-	30 00
Alms to the Poor,	-	-	-	-	462 '99

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The parish have also contributed \$1300 towards the improvement of the Church, and have taken \$5000 stock in the Male Parochial School which has been recently established, and which it is expected will go into full operation this fall, in the building now erecting on the lot adjoining the Church, which has been appropriated for this purpose by the Vestry.

Divine Service has been celebrated every Sunday twice, and occasionally three times; also on the morning of every Holy Day; twice in the week preceding each Monthly Communion, and during Lent, and twice every day in *Passion Week*. The Holy Communion has been administered on the Festivals of Christmas, Easter, and Whitsunday, and on the first Sunday of every Month. From September to Easter the Children were Catechised openly in the Church every Saturday afternoon. For six weeks prior to Confirmation the Candidates were assembled twice a week for specific instruction preparatory to the reception of that Holy rite: and for two Months subsequently the Rector met the younger portion of those who had been confirmed, weekly, for the purpose of giving them such further instruction as might, by God's blessing, render them more fit to approach the Holy Altar, which they did on Easter Day.

The number of Catechists, who aid the Pastor in Sunday School Instruction, is 46; among whom are now to be found 7, who at the last report were Sunday Scholars. As in former years he has continued to meet with them once a month for Devotional Exercises and Counsel as to their duties.

This Parish is enjoying a large measure of peace and prosperity—temporal and spiritual. The Church may now be said to be full, the few pews which are not let being usually occupied; and the parishioners generally evince a deep interest in the things which pertain to their eternal welfare.

Calvary Church, New-York; the Rev. CHARLES JONES, Rector.

The state of this parish has undergone but little change since my last Report.

Its Benevolent Society, established for providing clothing for poor children

belonging to the Sunday School, was more than ordinarily active during last winter. Divine service has been held twice every Lord's Day, as well as on the usual fasts and festivals of the Church. Our Sunday School is in a flourishing condition. The children connected with it, have been publicly examined and instructed in the Church Catechism, though not so often as was intended, in consequence of the loss of old scholars and the admission of new.

In the Sunday School (boys 30, girls 48,) 78; Teachers (male 6, female 6,) 12. Baptisms, Infants 17; Marriages, 2; Burials, 7; Communicants (added as new 4; Removed into the Parish, 6; Died, 1; Removed from the Parish, 8;) present number 43.

Contributions:—

For the Benevolent Society,	-	-	-	\$41 50
Education Fund,	-	-	-	10 00
Missionary Fund,	-	-	-	23 65
Diocesan Fund,	-	-	-	4 03
Episcopal Fund,	-	-	-	3 07
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Grace Church, New-York; the Rev. THOMAS HOUSE TAYLOR, D. D., Rector.

Marriages 8; Funerals 9; Baptisms 22; Communicants 220.

The system of regular monthly collections has been steadily pursued in this parish, and with a continually increased and confirmed conviction of its utility.

Contributions:—

To the Education and Missionary Society of the Diocese,	-	-	-	\$350 00
To the Domestic Committee—Board of Missions,	-	-	\$400 00	
To the Foreign Committee,	-	-	150 00	
				500 00
To the City Missions,	-	-	250 00	
To the Infant School of do.	-	-	70 00	
				320 00
Theological Seminary,	-	-	-	110 00
Bible and Prayer Book Society,	-	-	-	150 00
And to various other associations and charitable objects,	-	-	-	700 00

Church of the Nativity, New-York; the Rev. ANTHONY TEN BROECK, Rector.

Baptized (adults 1, children 28,) total, 29; Confirmed 1, (in St. Mark's Church, Williamsburg;) Funerals 6, (3 not of parish;) Communicants, removed into the parish 23; removed from the parish 5; repelled 1; died 1; present number 50.

Catechumens; Sunday Scholars, about 90 who are instructed by the Rector in the Church Catechism, Questions in St. Matthew, Collects of the Church, &c., in General Exercises, after recitations to their teachers. The Rector proposes to form soon a class of *Catechumens of the Parish*, to be exclusively under his own charge, and taught at some convenient time during the week. It is thought that at present 35 members could be obtained.

Contributions:—The four contributions required by the Canons have been made. Contributions have also been made to the New York Bible and Common Prayer Book Society, the Prot. Epis. Tract Society, the Gen. Theol. Seminary, and both branches of the Board of Missions. All the objects recommended by the Bishop will receive attention annually hereafter; which has not been practicable during the period (so much less than a year) of the present Rector's charge. A collection is made in this parish on the third Sunday of each month, affording opportunity to bring forward distinctly and in order the claims of the several Institutions of

the church. The Bishop is aware of the circumstances of the parish, and knows that the amount raised cannot at present be large. But surely it were not the best way to prepare to do more, to neglect to do now what we can. And it were not consistent with duty to the church, in reference to her various wants, to refuse to listen to the call they oblige her to make, for "systematic charity" among her members.

Remarks—Divine Service is celebrated twice on Sundays, and occasionally three times; on the morning of every Holy day; on the Friday morning before each administration of the Communion; on Wednesday evening, from October to May inclusive; on each Litany day in Lent; and morning and evening daily throughout Passion week.

Baptism is administered on the afternoon of the third Sunday in each month, or on any Holy-day or prayer-day, as occasion may require.

The Holy Communion is administered on the Festivals of Christmas, Easter-day, and Whit-Sunday, and on the first Sunday of every month.

There are fourteen "Catechists, who aid the pastor in Sunday School instruction."

Since the visit of the Bishop or the office of Institution in February last, the number of constant parishioners has been doubled; the debt then pressing (about \$1500) has been entirely discharged, by the sale of a lot upon which the Corporation of Trinity Church held a bond, the lot having been kindly released from the bond for the purpose; and the Chapel has been much improved both within and without, in neatness and convenience. A few other necessary improvements are in contemplation, for which we rely upon promises received from neighboring churches.

St. Andrew's Church, New-York; the Rev. ABRAM B. HART, Rector.

Baptisms (adults 2, infants 17) 19; Persons Confirmed 12; Marriage 1; Burials (of the parish) 7; 6 communicants have been added, 2 have removed, the changes in attendance, from summer to winter, do not permit us to reckon more than 30. The contributions made have been applied to Education, Missionary, Tract, and other purposes.

During the Rector's absence last winter, the Rev. J. Roosevelt Bayley officiated and faithfully performed the duties of the Parish, including a portion of the preceding offices.

St. Bartholomew's Church, New-York; the Rev. LEWIS P. W. BALCH, Rector.

Baptisms (adults, 11, infants, 70,) total 81; Confirmed, 50; Marriages, 18; Funerals, 18; Communicants, (added as new) 55; Removed into the Parish, 38; Removed from the Parish, 14; Died, 5; present number, 202; Catechumens, (the children of Parish School, 50; the children of Sunday School, 200.

Contributions:—

The Education Fund,	-	-	-	-	\$20 00
The Missionary Fund Diocesan,	-	-	-	-	100 00
The Episcopal Fund,	-	-	-	-	17 09
The Board of Missions, Foreign and Domestic,	-	-	-	-	200 35
Parish Objects,	-	-	-	-	1119 42
Sunday School,	-	-	-	-	105 04
Parish School,	-	-	-	-	239 27

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This is exclusive of contributions towards the purchase of an organ, and those collected at the Communion.

It will be seen that a large part of the above sum is for parish objects, and it has been chiefly applied to the payment of the church debt. Ten gentlemen of the congregation (most of whom belong to the Vestry) have agreed to give annually, \$100 each, to form a sinking fund for the present, and after the debt is paid, to be given to the various canonical and other church objects. This very liberal contribution, together with the excess of our annual income above the an-

nual expenditure, and occasional sales of pews, will surely and gradually free the Church from every pecuniary obligation.

The Vestry have recently enlarged and much improved the Church edifice, by taking down a part of the rear wall, and building a recess. Eight new pews in the body of the Church have been gained by this arrangement, a part of these, sufficient to cover all the expense of the alteration, have already been sold.

The Parish School contains fifty pupils, mostly orphans and half-orphans. It is gratifying to see how well this School is appreciated and supported by the congregation, whilst its beneficial effects on the Scholars, are daily more apparent.

Divine service twice, and occasionally three times on Sunday. Every Wednesday evening of the months from October to April inclusive. Bible class every Friday from November to March. Children catechised frequently. Teachers in the Sunday School, 35. Sunday School and Parish Library about 400 vols.

Communion. First Sunday of every month, Christmas, Easter and Whitsunday.

During Lent, Morning Prayer was held in the Church every morning, and the attendance large.

St. George's Church, New York; the Rev. JAMES MILNOR, D. D. Rector. The Rev. JAMES W. COOKE, Assistant Minister.

Communicants, (added 42, died 6, removed 12,) present number on the parish register 432; Marriages 41; Baptisms, (adults 7, children 44,) total 51; Catechumens—see remarks at the close of this report.

Contributions:—besides several contributions not required to be stated in this report, the following sums have been appropriated and paid, viz:

Domestic Missionary Committee, - - - - -	\$500 00
Foreign " " " " " " " " " " " "	500 00
Education and Missionary Society of this Diocese,	
Education Fund, - - - - -	50 00
Missionary Fund, - - - - -	100 00
General Protestant Episcopal Sunday School Union, -	50 00
Sunday Schools of St. George's Church, - - - - -	280 17
Beneficiaries of the Association of St. George's Church for the promotion of Christianity, preparing for the Ministry, - - - - -	392 50
General Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church, -	67 81
Diocesan Fund, - - - - -	30 00
Books, &c., for Scholarship room, at the Seminary, -	44 50

Total amount \$2014 98

Remarks:—In compliance with the suggestions of the Rt. Rev. Diocesan, the Rector would state, that there has been Divine Service in St. George's Church twice on all the Sundays since the last Convention, and on some thrice, except three Sundays in the month of August last, when the Church was closed for the purpose of being cleaned.

There have been the usual services on Thanksgiving day, and the Feast of the Nativity, and prayers on that of the Circumcision.

The Holy Communion has been administered thirteen times, and a week day lecture has been delivered previous to each of the occasions of its administration.

The Friday evening lectures have been continued, and during five of the Winter and Spring months, there was also a lecture in the Lecture room on every Sunday evening. On the Wednesday previous to each Communion prayers were read in Church in the forenoon; and notice to that effect being given on the previous Sunday, children were presented for baptism after the second lesson.

During the season of Lent there were added prayers and lectures in the Church on every Wednesday forenoon, and in the Lecture room in the evening of the same day, and during Passion week morning prayers were read in the Church, and a lecture delivered in the Lecture room on the evening of each day, except on Good Friday, when there were two services and sermons in the Church.

On each Communion Sunday the afternoon sermon is omitted, and after prayers there is held a public catechetical examination of the children and youth of the Sunday Schools and of the Congregation.

The Catechumens are, for the most part, attendants on the Sunday Schools. They are divided into two classes. The one consists of the smaller children, who are examined by the Rector in the Church Catechism broken into short questions. The other class consists of those more advanced, who are examined in a larger explanation. Remarks are interspersed by the Rector throughout these examinations for the better instruction of the Catechumens.

The number of scholars in the Sunday Schools of St. George's Church is about three hundred, under the charge of three Superintendents, and fifty Teachers, and the constant visitation and direction of the Rector and his assistant—the latter of whom delivers a quarterly Sermon to the pupils of all the Schools assembled in the Church.

The success of the various means employed in this parish in the religious education of the young, although not as great as has been desired, affords cause for deep and fervent gratitude to the Great Head of the Church, and we trust will stimulate us to renewed and persevering efforts in behalf of this interesting portion of our charge.

St. Luke's Church, New-York ; the Rev. JOHN MURRAY FORBES, Rector.

This parish during the past year has received evident tokens of the Divine favor. The services of the Church have been well attended in the week as well as upon the Lord's day, and especially so during the season of Lent. In January last there were seventy-five persons Confirmed, most of whom immediately joined the Communion of the Church. During the past year more interest has been exhibited in the objects of the Female Education and Missionary association, the Young Men's Missionary Society, and the Sunday School, than during any previous period. Since the last report, the Church edifice has been put in a state of complete repair, painted throughout, and in many other respects improved. The alterations and improvements, though made at considerable expense, have not, by the judicious management of the vestry, to whom great credit in this matter is due, entailed the least burthen of debt on the Church.

The statistics of the Parish are as follows:—

Baptisms (adults 6, children 76,) total 82; Marriages 13; Funerals 32; Confirmed 75; Communicants, about as last year 250, (on Easter day near 300 communed.)

There are in the Sunday School 50 Teachers, about 250 children regularly attending (Register number 500,) and 2500 volumes in the library of the School.

The following collections have been made:—

For Diocesan Missions,	-	-	-	-	-	\$217 47
Western " "	-	-	-	-	-	200 00
Foreign " "	-	-	-	-	-	200 00
City " "	-	-	-	-	-	50 00
Bible and Prayer Book Society,	-	-	-	-	-	64 00
Tract Society,	-	-	-	-	-	40 00
Sunday School	-	-	-	-	-	72 71
Diocesan Fund,	-	-	-	-	-	22 50
Episcopal "	-	-	-	-	-	36 47
For the Poor,	-	-	-	-	-	326 52
Other Collections for Church objects,	-	-	-	-	-	300 00

St. Mark's Church, New-York ; the Rev. HENRY ANTHON, D. D., Rector.

Baptisms, adults 2, children (22 of the Infant and Sunday Schools) 54, total 56; Confirmed in other Churches 4; Marriages 17; Interments (parishioners 12, non-parishioners 224) total 246; Infant Scholars 120; Sunday Scholars 76,

total 196; Teachers 18; Catechising in Church eight months; Communicants (removed 23, died 6, added 31, added from other parishes 26, total 57) present number 180; Families 135.

Collections:—

Education and Missionary Society,	-	\$173 56
“ “ “ 2d Collection,	-	265 85
Domestic Missionary Committee,	-	278 31
Foreign “ “	-	204 25
Theological Seminary,	- - -	80 00
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The room heretofore known as “St. John’s Chapel Room,” in the Theological Seminary, has been transferred with its Library and Furniture to this Parish, and is now known as “St. Mark’s Church Room, No. 1.” The Rectory commenced last year, has been completed and furnished by the Vestry.

St. Michael’s, St. James’, and St. Mary’s Churches, New-York; the Rev. JAMES C. RICHMOND, Rector.

Baptisms, 27 infants, 2 adults; Confirmed 12 in St. Michael’s; 4 Marriages; 20 Burials; assisted by Rev. Messrs. Clapp and Sunderland, preached 4 times on Sundays—at Fort Washington this summer once a fortnight, or assisted by my brother—at Livingston, Columbia county, where the Gospel had not been preached in that quarter of the town for a year, preached several times, baptized 11 children and adults, and established a Sunday School, which is now flourishing with about 50 children, and under the superintendence of a pious and educated young man from Union College, tutor in a gentleman’s family in Livingston. Services are also rendered every Sunday at the Bloomingdale Lunatic Asylum, of which the Rector is Chaplain.

Collections:—

For Education and Missionary Society, about	-	\$52 00
Bishop Chase and Jubilee College,	- -	1,933 25

St. Peter’s Church, New-York; the Rev. HUGH SMITH, D. D., Rector.

During the past year there have been in this Parish—Marriages, 20; Baptisms, (adults 6, infants 23,) total 29; Persons confirmed, 59; Funerals, at which the Rector has officiated (of the congregation, 15,) whole number, 33; Communicants, added (received from other Churches, 29, new Communicants 24) 53; removed (from the Parish, 15, by death 8,) 23. Gain in the number of Communicants 30, present number 190. Whole number of Catechumens including those of the Sunday School, about 200. Lectures have been delivered weekly, during the seasons of Advent, Epiphany, and Lent, respectively, adapted to those seasons: and during the latter the Church was also opened for Divine Service on the mornings of every Wednesday and Friday.

Collections have been made during the year for the Education Fund, and also for the Missionary Fund of the Education and Missionary Society of the Diocese—for the Episcopal Fund, and also a contribution made to the Diocesan Fund, as required by the Canons: in addition to which there have been collections made for the Domestic Branch of the Foreign and Domestic Missionary Society, for the Tract Society, and the Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of the Diocese, and for the Sunday School of the Parish.

Notwithstanding the pecuniary embarrassments under which it has laboured, the Parish has continued to increase—and the Rector has been cheered in spirit by its spiritual peace and prosperity.

St. Stephen’s Church, New York; the Rev. JOSEPH H. PRICE, Rector.

Baptized (adults 2, infants 41,) total 43; Marriages 22; Funerals 19; Communicants (added 21, Received 3, Died 3,) present number 265; Sunday Scholars, whole number 350; Teachers 20.

Contributions:—

Education Fund of the Diocese,	-	-	-	\$35 00
Missionary Fund of the Diocese,	-	-	-	95 16
Episcopal Fund,	-	-	-	10 00
Diocesan Fund,	-	-	-	30 00
Bible and Prayer Book Society,	-	-	-	20 50
Tract Society,	-	-	-	20 50
Board of Missions—Foreign,	-	-	-	261 40
Domestic,	-	-	-	229 40
City Mission,	-	-	-	100 00
Diocese of Michigan,	-	-	-	200 00
Jubilee College,	-	-	-	632 00
Infant School, Sunday School, &c.,	-	-	-	912 03

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Two services on Sunday, Service and Lecture on Wednesday Evening. In Lent, Prayers and Lecture on Wednesday and Friday Mornings. Children catechized publicly every Saturday. The Church is as prosperous as it has been for the last three years. Communion administered on the first Sunday in every Month and on the high Festivals.

Trinity Church including St. Paul's, and St. John's Chapels, New York; the Rev. WILLIAM BERRIAN, D. D., Rector, the Rev. JONATHAN M. WAINWRIGHT, D. D., and the Rev. EDWARD Y. HIGBEE, Assistant Ministers.

Communicants 800; Baptisms (adults 3, children 137,) 140; Marriages 58; Burials (adults 91, children 76,) 167.

Collections:—

For Michigan, St. Paul's at night,	-	-	-	\$132 33
For the Missionary Branch of the Ed. and Miss. Society, St. Paul's,	-	-	-	59 87
For the same at St. John's,	-	-	-	150 00
For the same at St. Paul's,	-	-	-	108 80
For the same at St. John's,	-	-	-	231 00
For the Young Men's Aux. Ed. and Miss. Society, St. Paul's	-	-	-	92 00
For the Episcopal Fund, at St. Paul's,	-	-	-	67 98
For the same at St. John's,	-	-	-	45 17
For the N. Y. Bible and Common P. B. Soc. St. Paul's,	-	-	-	137 57
For the same at St. John's,	-	-	-	125 66
For the N. Y. Prot. Ep. Tract Society, St. Paul's,	-	-	-	100 17
For the same at St. John's,	-	-	-	98 50
For the General Theological Seminary, St. Paul's,	-	-	-	96 89
For the same at St. John's,	-	-	-	95 80
For the Female Benevolent Association of St. John's,	-	-	-	70 00
Female Aux. Ed. and Miss Association of St. Paul's.	-	-	-	95 00

Zion Church, New-York; the Rev. WILLIAM RICHMOND, Rector.

Communicants (added 40, left 10,) about 180; Baptisms (adults 6, infants 64,) 70; Marriages 14; Confirmed 32; Burials 20; Sunday Scholars 250; Teachers, 30; Bible Class 25.

Collections:—

Missionary Branch of Education Society,	-	-	-	\$100 00
Episcopal Fund,	-	-	-	10 00
Diocesan Fund,	-	-	-	18 00
For Sunday School Room,	-	-	-	150 00
For the Poor,	-	-	-	400 00
Subscribed to Jubilee College,	-	-	-	500 00
For other Church purposes,	-	-	-	200 00

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There has been divine service on Sunday, and two on Wednesdays throughout the year. During Lent the services were increased and there was service every day in Passion Week.

The children are catechized by the Rector every Sunday, and a catechetical class has been taught by a Student of the Theological Seminary for the greater part of the year.

The visitation of the poor in the neighborhood of the Church has been continued under the advice and direction of the Rector, by members of the Congregation appointed by him. This duty has not been so extensively discharged as reported in the two preceding years, principally because it requires, to render it effectual, greater pecuniary means than Providence has allotted to our share. But we should be glad to distribute in this destitute region the bounty of the rich. The Rector considers the state of the Congregation both in a temporal and spiritual sense, as more encouraging than in any former year of his labours among them.

As there are three hundred free sittings in Zion Church, the exact number of Communicants cannot be reported. Probably it exceeds 200.

St. James' Church, Goshen, Orange county; the Rev. THOMAS MALLABY, late Rector.

I resigned the charge of the above Parish on the 1st of May, 1840. My report to that date is as follows:—

Baptisms (adult 1, infants 5) 6; Marriages 2; Burials 3; Communicants (added 2, died 1, removed 3) 41; Adult members of the congregation 141.

Collections:—

For Bible and Common Prayer Book Society,	-	\$16 00
Episcopal Tract Society,	-	7 00

The present minister, the Rev. Jesse A. Spencer, Deacon, reports as follows:

I entered upon the regular discharge of parish duties on the 13th Sunday after Trinity, S-pt. 13th, 1840. Having been so short a time in the parish, I have not been called upon to perform any of the occasional offices of the Church; there have been no baptisms, marriages, or funerals since my entrance upon the charge of the parish. The Parish having been vacant for about 3 months, the congregation has hardly as yet attained its proper size. The Sunday School which has been kept alive by the labors of a few devoted members of this parish, is at present small, but promises better things in future. On Sunday next, I intend commencing a regular course of instruction in the Church Catechism, agreeably to the rubrics to be continued on the first Sunday of every month, which is intended to have ultimate reference to the proper qualification for the ordinance of confirmation.

St. George's Church, Newburgh, and St. Thomas' Church, New-Windsor, Orange county; the Rev JOHN BROWN, Rector.

Baptisms (adults 3, children 21,) total 24; Confirmed 27; Marriages 12; Funerals 24; Communicants (added as new Communicants 14, removed into the parish 4, died 4, removed from the parish 5,) present number 121.

Contributions:—

The Education Fund of the Education and Missionary Society of the Diocese,	-	-	-	-	\$10 00
The Missionary Fund of the Education and Missionary Society of the Diocese,	-	-	-	-	33 00
The Episcopal Fund,	-	-	-	-	20 00
The Diocesan "	-	-	-	-	12 00
The Protestant Episcopal Tract Society,	-	-	-	-	13 56
The General Theological Seminary,	-	-	-	-	21 00

St. Andrew's Church, Walden, Orange County, the Rev. HENRY W. SWEETZER, Rector.

Baptized, children, 5; Confirmed 1; Marriages 2; Funerals 3; Communicants (added 1, removed into the parish 4, removed from the parish 1, died 4,) present number 41; Catechumens 50.

Contributions:

Education Fund of Ed. and Miss. Society,	-	\$4 08
Missionary Fund of Ed. and Miss. Society,	-	4 33
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Besides the above, have supplied the S.

School with the S. S. Library, - - - - \$11 60

Remarks.—Divine service has been celebrated, generally, morning and evening of Sunday. The principal Festivals and Fasts observed. The communion is administered on the First Sunday in every month. Eight catechists. During the past year, the ladies of the congregation, by their industry, have furnished the Church with blinds, at an expense of above fifty dollars. The prospects of the Church in this parish, are considerably more encouraging than during the preceding year.

Christ Church, Cooperstown, Otsego County, the Rev. FREDERICK T. TIFFANY, Rector.

Baptized, Adults 3, Children 5, total 8; Confirmed 9; Marriages 1; Funerals 14; Communicants (added 8, removed into the parish 1, removed out of the parish 1, Died 1,) present number 95.

Contributions:

To the Education Fund of Ed. and Miss. Soc. of Diocese,	\$13 66
To the Missionary Fund do. do. do.	13 51
To the Episcopal Fund, - - - -	6 50
To the Diocesan Fund, - - - -	7 50

Remarks.—Divine service has been celebrated on every Sunday, with some few exceptions, rendered necessary by repairing the interior of the Church; on Nativity, Ash Wednesday, Good Friday, Easter and Ascension. The Holy Communion has been administered four times. The children have been instructed and examined, both in the Catechism, on every other Sunday, and in the questions on St. Matthew's Gospel. There are nine ladies and one gentleman, who have constantly and devotedly given their services in aid of the Rector in Sunday School instruction. The average number of scholars is about forty. The congregation is flourishing.

Zion Church, Louisville, Otsego county; the Rev. AMOS B. BEACH, Rector.

By the favour and blessing of Almighty God, the condition of this Parish is flourishing; and while the Rector is enabled to announce a constant increase in the number of those who habitually attend upon the public services of the Church, it is also with devout gratitude to God, that he adds his conviction that there has been within the past year a decided elevation of piety, and increased attachment to the distinctive principles of the Church, among her members in this portion of Zion.

During the year there have been, Baptized (adults, 3, infants, 4,) total 7; Confirmed, 16; Communicants, received into the Parish 4; removed from, 5; new communicants added 3; present number, 140.

Collections:—

Diocesan, Education and Missionary Society,	
Missionary Branch, - - - -	\$8 00
Education " - - - -	4 00
General Missionary Society,	
Domestic Board, - - - -	12 00
Foreign " - - - -	8 00

The usual tax for Convention Fund has been paid.

St. Luke's Church, Monticello, Otsego county; the Rev. SETH DAVIS, of the Diocese of Western New-York, Rector.

Families 40, adults 55; children 130; Baptisms (adults 3, children 6,) total 9; Confirmed 11; Communicants (added 10, died 3, removed 2,) present number 55; Marriages 1; Burials 3.

Public Services.—On Sundays for half of the time 2, on other days, for part of the year 1, making in all 65 services.

Children Catechised—25 times; scholars 30; Teachers 6; Female 5; Male 1.

Collections for Church purposes:—

For the Sunday School,	-	-	-	-	\$5 00
For the Diocesan Mission,	-	-	-	-	5 00

St. Matthew's Church, Unadilla, Otsego county; the Rev. NORMAN H. ADAMS, Rector.

Baptized (adults 3, children 4,) total 7; Confirmed 9; Marriages 2; Funerals 9; Communicants (added as new Communicants 5, Removed into the parish 3, removed from the parish 1, died 2,) present number not far from 100; Sunday Scholars 82; Teachers (male 7, female 8,) 15.

Contributions:—

The Missionary Fund of the Education and Missionary Society of the Diocese, after reading the Bishop's Pastoral Address,	-	-	-	\$13 50
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After a sermon preached before the Female Missionary Association of St. Matthew's Church, Unadilla,	-	-	10 00
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From the Female Missionary Society,	-	-	14 00
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The Episcopal Fund,	.	.	.	2 00
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The Diocesan " "	.	.	.	7 50
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The Church has been opened for Divine Service every Sunday throughout the year; and for morning prayers every Wednesday through the season of Lent, and on the evening of the same day I have performed Divine Service and preached a sermon.

I have also performed Divine Service every morning and preached every evening through Passion week, and also on most of the other holy days throughout the year. A bible class has been in operation every Sunday evening throughout the winter season, for the benefit of the Congregation, and been well attended.

The parish may be said to be in a flourishing condition.

St. Philip's Church, Phillipstown, and St. Mary's Church in the Highlands, Cold Spring, Putnam county; the Rev. EBENEZER WILLIAMS, Rector.

St. Philip's. Baptized (adults 6, children 23) total 29; Marriage 1; Funerals 2; Communicants (added 4, removed into the parish 8, removed from the parish 8) present number 24; Catechumens 23.

Contributions:—

Education and Missionary Society of the Diocese,	\$11 60
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New-York Bible and Common Prayer Book Society,	-	-	11 50
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Protestant Episcopal Tract Society,	-	-	6 05
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The services of the Church are regularly performed every Sunday morning. The Rector acknowledges with gratitude the continuance of the Divine goodness to himself and his charge, during his residence here. Some have been added to the Communion and there is an increased attendance on public worship, and the spiritual concerns of the Parish are in a most healthy state. Aged men who have not frequented the Church of God from 10 to 15 years are among our pre-

sent worshippers. The Holy Eucharist has been administered four times. The Sunday School is superintended by the Rector, and has the assiduous aid of six conscientious teachers. The children are examined monthly in their catechism, and frequently in different parts of scripture. In justice to the Ladies of the Benevolent Society, the Rector states the praise-worthy zeal they feel, and the pecuniary assistance they render towards the clothing of the Sunday Scholars, many of whom are destitute and reside at a long distance from the Church.

St. Mary's.—Baptised (adult 1, children 20) total 21; Confirmed 2; Marriages 2; Funerals 7; Communicants (added 4, removed into the parish 2, removed from the parish 1) present number 11.

Divine Service is performed every Sunday afternoon, in the Presbyterian Chapel.

The Congregation here continues steadily to increase, and the parish is generally prosperous.

On the 30th of June, the Right Rev. Bishop of the Diocese laid the cornerstone of St. Mary's Church, in a delightful grove, in the centre of the growing village of Cold Spring.

In consequence of not having our own Church, we have not been enabled to make any collection. Administered the Communion three times, viz. once at the Methodist Chapel, and twice to the sick in their own chambers.

By the kindness of his people, the Rector has been provided with comfortable means of conveyance in passing between his parishes.

St. George's Church, Astoria, Queen's County, the Rev. JOHN W. BROWN, Rector.

Baptisms, (infants 12, adults 2,) total 14; Confirmed 8; Communicants (added 9, removed 7,) total 34; Marriages 2; Burials 8; Catechists in the Sunday School, including the Superintendent, 14; Catechumens, on the register 120, attending 60 or 70; Public Services, morning and afternoon of every Lord's day; Wednesday evening lecture during half the year; Preparatory Lecture on the Friday Evening preceding the Second Sunday of each month; Bible Class on the evening of every Lord's Day, except during the summer months.

The Church is open also for Divine Service on the principal Holy days throughout the year.

The Rector meets weekly with the catechists of the Sunday School, when the Scripture lesson for the following Sunday is examined and explained.

Collections:

Sunday School,	-	-	-	-	\$18 00
Education and Missionary Soc.	-	-	-	-	20 00
Diocesan Fund,	-	-	-	-	5 00
Parochial purposes,	-	-	-	-	89 32

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The Rector acknowledges, with thankfulness, the continued and increasing prosperity of the parish.

In accordance with the suggestion of the Bishop the Rector subjoins the annual report of the

ASTORIA FEMALE INSTITUTE.

The first Episcopal visitation of the Institute was held on Friday and Saturday, July 10 and 11, in connection with the semi-annual examination of all the departments on the studies pursued during the session. The Rector is happy to state that the result was satisfactory to the Bishop and the clergy in attendance with him. A detailed report of the Visitation has already been laid before the church in the editorial columns of the Churchman.

During the past year, in accordance with the original plan, the Rector has been enabled to devote his constant attention to the daily government and instruction of the members of the Institute. While considering himself as especially charged with the moral and religious culture of his pupils, he has been enabled to conduct in person, the daily recitations of the senior department, in connexion with some

of the more important recitations of the Junior and preparatory classes. Reviews of all the classes in rotation are so arranged as to keep him constantly acquainted with the proficiency of every pupil.

It is the constant aim of the Rector, in reliance on Divine grace, to cultivate the spirit of genuine piety among the members of his household, to conduct education on Christian principles and to animate to duty by Gospel motives. His pupils are considered as parishioners of St. George's Church. In addition to the regular catechetical classes on Sunday afternoon, he has introduced daily readings of scripture, accompanied with such practical remarks as are called for, and combined with the interesting studies of Sacred Geography, History, and Antiquities. On Sunday evenings the pupils with their teachers form a bible class for mutual instruction, which is conducted by the Rector or the Chaplain.

Sacred music is combined with all the exercises of family worship, during the performance of which the young ladies who are qualified, preside in turn at the organ.

At the visitation of the Bishop, *five* of the young ladies of the Institute were admitted to confirmation.

The Rev. Mr. Clapp, continues his connection with the Institute as Chaplain and first assistant teacher. The Rev. Mr. Haskins, intending to devote himself wholly to the duties of his parish, has resigned his situation as teacher.

In conclusion, the Rector is happy to state that the prospects of the Institute are highly encouraging.

St. George's Church, Flushing, Queen's county ; the Rev. FREDERICK J. GOODWIN, Rector.

Baptisms, (adults 19, infants 23,) total 42; Confirmations, twice (25, and 10,) total 35; Marriages 10; Funerals 10; Communicants (added 34, removed 3, died 6,) present number 151; Catechumens 125.

The Contributions required by the Canons have all been made:—

Education Fund, - - - - -	\$32 00
Missionary Fund of the Diocese, - - - - -	40 00
Episcopal Fund, - - - - -	15 00
Diocesan Fund, - - - - -	5 00
Bible and Prayer Book Society, - - - - -	37 00
Protestant Episcopal Tract Society, - - - - -	20 00
General Theological Seminary, - - - - -	40 00
Protestant Episcopal Sunday School Union, - - - - -	10 00
Domestic Missions, (including \$200 to Michigan,) - - - - -	230 00
Foreign Missions, - - - - -	33 00
To Jubilee College, - - - - -	10 00
To Sunday School of the Parish, - - - - -	15 00
For the Poor, - - - - -	80 00

Total \$567 00

In addition to the above Contributions, a Lady of the Congregation has presented to the Church a set of lamps, the expense of which was about \$100 00. Another Lady, now deceased, has given fifty dollars for the *general purposes* of the Church. A few Gentlemen of the Congregation have purchased an additional lot for the Parsonage costing three hundred dollars. During the present month there have also been contributed twelve hundred and fifty eight dollars, to liquidate a debt of the Church contracted five years since. This has been done mainly through the liberality of four individuals. There has thus been appropriated to different objects during the last Conventional year the sum of \$2275 00.

The Rector of this Parish would here desire to express his thankfulness to God, for its present happy condition, both in a temporal and spiritual point of view. At no time during his Ministry has he been permitted to see so many cheering indications of good, as in the year that is past. The services of the Church, on the Lord's day, and at other seasons, have been more numerous attended than heretofore, and it is believed with increasing interest. The more important Festivals and Fasts of the Church, have all been duly observed, and with gratifying results.

The Sunday Schools are prosperous. The number of Scholars is about 150 under twenty-five Teachers to assist the Rector as Superintendent. The Children are examined by the Rector every Lord's day, on appointed portions of the Scripture and Catechism.

In connection with the above report I have been requested by the Rev. J. B. Kerfoot, one of the professors of St. Paul's College, officiating in Whitestone Chapel, to mention some particulars with respect to that Congregation. As this has not yet been organized by a distinct act of incorporation, it is still within the bounds of my parochial charge. The service of the Church he states, has been performed and a sermon delivered every Sunday afternoon and Wednesday evening, also once on Thanksgiving day—on Christmas and New Year's day—twice on Good Friday, and once on every other day in Passion week. The numbers and seriousness of the Congregation have been uniformly very encouraging. The Sunday School numbers upwards of 60 Scholars, with the average attendance of 50 taught by 5 male and 6 female Teachers. It is under his own immediate supervision. Baptisms during the year (adults 7, children 18,) total 25. During the preceding year not reported, (adults 5, children 6,) total 11. Whole number since the commencement of the services of the Church in the Chapel in November 1838,—36; Confirmed during the last year 10. The preceding year not reported 3. Communicants received as new Communicants during the last year 12. In addition several commune whose names have been before in the Parish register. Contributions have been made for the New York Bible and Common Prayer Book Society, and for the Protestant Episcopal Tract Society, also for the Sunday School of the Congregation and other incidental expenses.

St. George's Church, Hempstead, including Trinity Chapel, Rockaway, Queen's county; the Rev. WILLIAM M. CARMICHAEL, D. D., Rector.

Baptisms (adults 7, children 9) 16; Marriages 12; Burials (adults 21, children 6) 27; Confirmed in St. George's Church 21; Confirmed in Trinity Chapel 18; Sunday School, scholars 50, teachers 10.

Contributions:

Monthly offerings for Domestic and Foreign Mis-					
sionary Society,	-	-	-	-	\$42 54
Episcopal Fund,	-	-	-	-	1 55
Diocesan Fund,	-	-	-	-	1 55
Education and Missionary Society,	-	-	-	-	4 00

The Sunday School room, which has been adverted to in several of my former reports, has recently been erected by the Female Sewing Society of this Church, almost entirely out of the avails of work made by their hands. It is a neat and beautiful building, and exceedingly well calculated for the purpose to which it is devoted. It is fitted up also as a Lecture Room, and as such will be used semi-weekly, during the winter months, in place of the one which we have heretofore occupied.

In spiritual, as well as in temporal things, this parish seems to be progressing.

Grace Church, Jamaica, Queen's county; the Rev. WILLIAM L. JOHNSON, Rector.

Baptized, (adults 1, children 10) total 11; Confirmed 13; Marriages 4; Funerals 15; Communicants (added 7, removed into the parish 6, removed from the parish 2, died 5) present number 91; Catechumens 40.

Contributions:—

The Education Fund of the Education and Missionary Society of the Diocese—after sermon by Rector,	\$42 05
The Missionary Fund of the Education and Missionary Society of this Diocese, by an appro-	

apropriation from the Ladies' Missionary Association of Grace Church,	75 00
Do. after sermon by Rector,	16 53
The Episcopal Fund,	5 00
The Diocesan Fund,	5 00
The Protestant Episcopal Tract Society,	27 42
The Domestic Branch of the Domestic and Foreign Miss. Society by an appropriation from the Ladies' Missionary Association of Grace Ch.	50 00

Services twice every Lord's day in the Parish Church—and once a month, in Mark's Chapel, to a congregation of colored persons. On Friday, before communion—on Wednesday and Friday during the season of Lent—and on the principal Festivals and Fasts throughout the year.

Christ Church, Manhasset, and St. Paul's Church, Glen Cove, Westchester county; the Rev. JAMES P. F. CLARKE, Rector.

Christ Church.—Baptized (adults 4, children 4,) total 8½; Confirmed 19; Funerals 18; Communicants (added new 9, removed from the parish 2, died 3,) present number 61; Catechumens (in Sunday Schools 50, Sunday Scholars 104.)

Contributions:—

Education Fund of Education and Missionary Society,	\$ 9 65
Missionary " " " " " "	14 17
Episcopal Fund, - - - - -	9 20
Diocesan " " " " " "	5 07

Divine Service celebrated on the morning of every Sunday, and of Christmas, Circumcision, Ash Wednesday, Good Friday, and Thanksgiving day.

The Holy Communion is administered 7 times; viz. on Christmas day, 1st day in Lent, Easter day, Whit Sunday, 8th Sunday after Trinity, and last day after Trinity.

Catechists or Sunday School Teachers 15.

St. Paul's.—Baptized (adults 1, children 1,) total 2; Confirmed 4; Communicants (added new 2, removed into the parish 1,) present number 8.

Contributions —

Education Fund of Education and Missionary Society,	\$3 77
Missionary " " " " " "	6 40
Episcopal Fund, - - - - -	6 00
Diocesan " " " " " "	3 00

Divine Service celebrated on the afternoon of every Sunday and of Christmas, Circumcision, Ash Wednesday, Good Friday, and Thanksgiving day.

The Holy Communion administered 7 times; viz. on Christmas day, 1st Sunday in Lent, Easter day, Whit Sunday, 8th Sunday after Trinity, and last Sunday after Trinity.

St. James' Church, Newtown, Queen's county; the Rev. GEORGE A. ELTON, Rector.

The Rector reports that besides the regular services of the Lord's Day, he held two, and sometimes three weekly lectures, in different parts of the Parish; and he trusts that they have been productive of good—generally they have been well attended.

Number of families, about 30; Communicants, (received 1, added 2, suspended,) 48; Baptisms, (adults 1, infant, 1,) 2; Burials, 2; Marriages, 3.

Collections by Monthly Offerings, \$135 30—of which the following appropriations have been made:—

Theological Seminary, - - - - -	\$7 50
Diocesan Missionary Society, - - - - -	7 50
Education Society, - - - - -	6 00
A box of goods to Michigan, - - - - -	50 00

To Foreign Missions,	-	-	-	-	\$20 00
To Domestic Missions,	-	-	-	-	21 00
To other purposes,	-	-	-	-	25 50
Other Collections:—					
For Diocesan Fund,	-	-	-	-	\$7 50
For Episcopal Fund,	-	-	-	-	3 00
For other purposes,	-	-	-	-	197 50
Ladies Sewing Society, of which to Jubilee Col- lege, \$10.00.	-	-	-	-	24 00
To Bible and Prayer Book Society,	-	-	-	-	5 00
To Domestic Missions,	-	-	-	-	10 00
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Christ Church, Troy; the Rev. EDWARD INGERSOLL, Rector.

The present Rector commenced his labors in this Parish, on the first Sunday after Easter, April 26th.

Since the last Convention, the sum of five thousand dollars has been raised and appropriated towards the payment of the Church debt. Though still laboring under some pecuniary embarrassments the prospects of the Parish are extremely favorable. There is every reason to believe that under the continued blessing of Almighty God, it will become large and flourishing.

The following is an abstract from the Parish Register, of the past year:

Baptized, (adults, 10, children, 15,) 25; Persons confirmed, 13; Marriages, 5; Funerals, 7; Communicants, (added, 24, removed, 22, died, 2,) Present number, 94.

Sunday School Teachers, 12. Scholars, 73. Average attendance, 50.

St. John's Church, Troy; the Rev. RICHARD COX, Rector.

Baptized, (adults 13, children 26,) total 39; Confirmed 18; Marriages 7; Funerals 16; Communicants, (added as new Communicants 32, removed into the Parish 9, removed from the Parish 26, died 2,) present number 111; Catechumens, as Sunday Scholars 150.

Contributions:—

The Education Fund of the Education and Missionary Society of the Diocese,	-	-	-	-	\$10 00
The Missionary Fund of do.	-	-	-	-	25 00
The Diocesan Fund,	-	-	-	-	9 00
The New York Bible and Common Prayer Book Society,	-	-	-	-	8 09
The Protestant Episcopal Tract Society,	-	-	-	-	10 00
The Board of Missions of the Protestant Episcopal Church, for Domestic Missions,	-	-	-	-	70 00

About \$3000 have been expended in erecting a new and elegant spire, procuring a fine toned bell weighing 2638lbs., painting the exterior of the Church, building a vestry room, and in other improvements.

The Church has been opened for Divine Service and Sermons on all the principal Festivals, on Ash Wednesday, on Wednesday and Friday evenings during Lent, and on every evening in Passion week.

St. Paul's Church, Troy; the Rev. ROBERT B. VAN KLEECK, Rector.

Baptized, (adults 12, children 41,) total 53; Confirmed, 45; Marriages, 16; Funerals, 25; Communicants, (added 54, died 5, removed 19,) total 257.

Contributions to the

Education and Missionary Society of the Diocese by a					
Female Auxiliary,	-	-	-	-	\$355 00
Collection for Missionary Fund of do.	-	-	-	-	104 72
Episcopal Fund,	-	-	-	-	39 07
Diocesan Fund,	-	-	-	-	15 00
New York Bible and Prayer Book Society,	-	-	-	-	36 00

New York Protestant Episcopal Tract Society, - - \$87 54
 and of Missions,

Domestic, - - \$779 00
 Foreign, - - 211 00—990 00

There are two Sunday Schools connected with the Church. In one there are scholars under 20 Teachers. The other is an Infant Sunday School of 125 scholars, under the instruction of a Lady and three assistants, whose devoted and denying labors, have been crowned with great success. The Rector visits the Sunday School every Sunday, and examines the children in the Scripture lesson the day.

In the afternoon of the first Sunday in every month, the children are catechised in the Church by the Rector.

The Church has been opened for prayers on the morning of every Wednesday for the Communion, and for Divine Service, and a sermon on every Friday in the same week.

The Rector has been engaged in a course of expository lectures on the Epistle to the Hebrews, on Wednesday evenings, with the exception of the Summer months. He also delivered a course of six lectures on Confirmation, as preparatory to the administration of that Holy rite.

During the season of Lent, the Church was opened for prayers on every Wednesday and Friday morning, with a lecture on the Liturgy every Friday.

There is also a parochial charity School connected with the Church, consisting of 12 girls. This is an extension of the Saturday Sewing School, founded by a venerable mother in Israel, the late Mrs. Phebe Warren, and since continued by a member of her family, upon whom her mantle has descended, by whom the school is for the most part clothed, and an instructor provided for them. They are the usual branches of an English education, besides sewing and knitting, and are regularly instructed in sacred music and in the Church Catechism and the services of the Church in a body whenever it is opened for Divine Service in the day time. It will doubtless be the means of great and growing

Andrew's Church, Richmond, including Trinity Chapel, Falls Church, Richmond county; the Rev. DAVID MOORE, Rector.

Scholars 250; Baptisms 62; Funerals 17; Marriages 5; Communicants 251; Sunday Schools 2; Scholars 100; Teachers 15.

Contributions have been made for the Missionary and Episcopal Fund, and duly acknowledged by the Treasurer of this Convention. Notice has also been given for a Collection Sunday next, for the Education Fund, the amount of which shall be ascertained without delay.

Paul's Church, Tompkinsville, Richmond county; the Rev. SAMUEL WALTON, Rector.

The Rector entered upon the charge of this parish in the month of December

for the year. (adults 2, children 24,) total 26; Confirmed 14; Marriages 4; Funerals 4; Communicants (number when I entered on the charge 43, added as new Communicants 3, removed into the parish 7, removed from the parish 3,) present number 50; died one aged male Communicant before my departure; Catechumens, Sunday Scholars 92.

Contributions:—

Education Fund of the Diocese,	\$ 3 00
Missionary " " " "	25 00
Episcopal " " " "	2 25
Diocesan " " " "	9 75
New-York Bible and Common Prayer Book Society,	23 15

Protestant Episcopal Tract Society New York,	\$10 50
General Theological Seminary,	5 00
Parochial Sunday School,	15 60

\$94 25

The Ladies of the Sewing Society connected with the Church have displayed their wonted zeal and industry, and have raised \$336 by a fair, which will be applied to liquidating the debts of the Church.

Collections for the *Board of Missions* of the Church will be made in the course of the fall or winter.

Remarks.—Divine Service has been celebrated twice every Sunday; also on the mornings of Christmas day, Ash Wednesday, and Good Friday. Morning prayers every day in Passion week, and on Ascension day. Evening Service and a lecture every Wednesday during Lent, also on Wednesday for four weeks preceding Confirmation.

The Children of the Sunday School are catechised openly in the Church on the afternoon of the Communion Sundays. This exercise takes the place of a sermon. Four of these examinations have been held.

The Holy Communion has been administered on Christmas day, Easter day, and the first Sunday of every month, except April and May.

Sunday School Teachers 17.

The Church continues encumbered with a heavy debt, the interest on which absorbs a considerable part of its revenue. It is believed, however, that the income for the present year will be sufficient to meet all the current expenses; several valuable accessions have been made to the congregation, and the prospects for the future are on the whole encouraging.

The many changes which have taken place in the spiritual oversight of this parish, within the short space of three years, have proved by no means favourable to its religious interests. The Rector hardly dares to entertain the hope, that his ministrations have produced much effect during his settlement here; and perhaps the short time that has elapsed does not warrant him in so doing. Still some incidents have occurred to cheer his heart and animate his exertions.

Christ Church, Ballston Spa, Saratoga County; the Rev. DEODATUS BABCOCK, Rector.

Baptized (adult 1, children 5,) 6; Marriages 7; Funerals 6; Communicants, (added 3, removed 5, died 2,) present number, 74; Catechumens 40.

Contributions:—

To Education Fund of Education and Missionary Society,	\$3 00
Missionary Fund of Do.	13 00
Episcopal Fund,	1 00
Diocesan Fund,	5 25
New York Bible and Common P. Book Society,	3 00

The Rector relinquished his charge of Bethesda Church, Saratoga Springs, on the first Sunday after Easter, and has since confined his services chiefly to the congregation under his present charge.

The Church has been opened for Divine Service on all Sundays during the year, the principal Holy Days, and on Wednesdays during the season of Lent. The children of the Parish are catechised by the Rector on the first Sunday of every Month; and with the exception of frequent removals from the Parish of some of its most influential members, its prospects may be considered encouraging.

The Rector has celebrated Divine Service several times during the Summer at St. James' Church, Milton. The attendance has been good, and with proper efforts, it is possible that the decayed prospects of that Church may be revived.

St. Paul's Church, Charlton, Saratoga county; the Rev. EDWARD DAVIS, Rector.

Baptized (adult 1, children 7,) total 8; Marriage 1; Funeral 1; Communi-

ts 40; Catechumens about 25; these have received instructions from the Rec- upon the Catechism, and the Prayer Book generally.

Contributions :—

To the Education Fund of Educ. and Missionary Society,	\$2 00
“ Missionary do. do. do. do.	4 00
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	\$6 00

Christ Church, Duaneburgh, Schenectady county; the Rev. WIL- AM B. THOMAS, Rector.

Baptized (adults 3, children 2,) total 5; Confirmed 5; Marriages 1; Funerals Communicants (added as new Communicants 2, Died 1,) present number 30; catechumens as Scholars of Sunday Schools 20; Members of Bible Class 8.

Contributions :—

The Education Fund, of the Education and Missionary Society of the Diocese,	\$18 00
The Missionary Fund of the Education and Missionary Society of the Diocese,	25 00
The Episcopal Fund,	5 00
The New York Bible and Prayer Book Society,	5 00

Remarks—Divine Service is performed regularly every Sunday morning in the arch, and generally during the Winter and Spring at a School House one mile l a half from the Church, where there is a small settlement. In the same build- during the past Summer, a Sunday School has been kept up every Lord's day rnoon, of which the Rector is Superintendent, and which prevents his perform- a second service, as is customary at other seasons of the year. The Church ways opened on the stated Festivals and Fasts.

St. George's Church, Schenectady; the Rev. WILLIAM H. WALTER, ctor.

Baptisms, children 30; Marriages 6; Funerals 13; Communicants (added removed into the parish 6, removed from the parish 8, died 2,) present number); Sunday scholars 165.

Contributions :—

Education Fund,	:	:	\$8 21
Missionary “	:	:	13 00
Episcopal “	:	:	5 76
Diocesan “	:	:	15 00
Protestant Episcopal Tract Society,	:	:	7 44
Bible and Prayer book Society,	:	:	6 10
General Theological Seminary,			
Collection,	:	:	\$11 00
Sunday School,	:	:	9 00
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			20 00
Churches in Illinois,	:	:	16 00
Sunday School,	:	:	43 69
Charitable Collections,	:	:	80 53
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			\$215 73

In addition to this amount, the sum of \$1,500 has been paid for a new and ext- ent organ. The cost has been defrayed chiefly by the exertions of the ladies the parish. The amount of contributions for benevolent purposes is less than ual, owing in part to the difficulties of the times, and partly to the absence of , rector for a large portion of the summer. For the supply of his pulpit during is period, the rector gratefully owns himself indebted to the Rev. Professors ater and Reed, and the Rev. Messrs. Walker, Cox, and Bissell of Troy. The ctor is permitted to report the continued external prosperity of this Church,

and he believes also that its religious state is not without pleasing evidence of the Divine favour:

St. John's Church, Ogdensburgh, St. Lawrence county; the Rev. HEWLETT R. PETERS, Rector.

Baptisms 19 infants, 1 adult; Marriages 3; Funerals 6; Communicants about 70.

I entered upon the duties of this Church the 1st of June, since which time I have performed the ordinary service of the Sunday, and a service and lecture on Wednesday. I spent one Sunday at Waddington, performing services for the congregation, then destitute of a clergyman.

No collection was made except for the Diocesan fund.

Trinity Church, Potsdam, St. Lawrence county; the Rev. ALBIN K. PUTNAM, Rector.

Baptized, (adult 1, children 16,) total 17; Confirmed, 4; Marriages, 3; Funerals, 2; Communicants, (added as new Communicants, 7, removed into the Parish 7, removed from the Parish 5,) present number 39; Catechumens in the Bible class 20; in the Sunday School 70.

Contributions:—

The Education Fund of the Education and Missionary Society of the Diocese,	-	-	\$6 77
The Missionary Fund of the Diocese,	-	-	12 18
The Episcopal Fund,	-	-	4 00
The Diocesan Fund,	-	-	6 00
Jubilee College,	-	-	5 00

Remarks.. There have been the ordinary Sunday services in the Church during the year; and besides services, including sermons, on Thanksgiving, Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, Ash-Wednesday and Good Friday. The Rector has also preached twelve times in different parts of the township, and in neighboring towns. Morning Prayer has been celebrated on Wednesday Mornings, and upon most of the holy days since Ash-Wednesday. Upon a holy day has usually been read one of those articles in the *Churchman*, entitled *Holiday Observations and Reflections*. Our week-day services have been well attended and profitable. The Holy Communion has been administered ten times. It is the practice of the Rector to catechise the children *openly in the Church*, after Evening Prayer, upon Communion days. The continuous interest which is secured for this exercise by this arrangement, is thought more beneficial than that which would result from a few occasions devoted to it in any particular season of the year. The Rector is happy to add that a great and increasing interest in this beautiful provision of the church for the nourishment of Christ's *lambs*, is manifested by the whole congregation. The class receiving catechetical instruction has gradually increased from 18 to 47.

The remarkable prosperity of the Sunday School, is owing mainly, under God, to the great faithfulness and zeal of its superintendent,—a man whose praise is written in heaven. He is assisted by fifteen teachers. Fifty copies of the *Children's Magazine* are regularly distributed; the *Journal of Christian Education* is read by the teachers. The Rector has been absent from the School, but upon one occasion in the year.

Large contributions to the various benevolent institutions of the Church cannot be reported. It is deemed proper, however, to mention as an example worthy of imitation, that a single individual of this church has pledged himself for the entire support of a student through his academic and theological studies.

On the whole, when it is considered that we are situated in a small village, where are six other religious societies, some of which have been very large for a long time, the progress which this young parish has made is a reason for devout thanksgiving to our blessed Lord.

Trinity Church, Ulster, Ulster county; the Rev. HIRAM ADAMS, Rector.

Baptisms, (adults 5, children 25,) total 30; Confirmations 19; Communicants (died 1, removed 5, moved into the Parish 3, added 10,) total 33.

The state of the Parish is in a high degree encouraging; the Congregation being much larger than formerly and still increasing—and we hope that much more attention to the means of grace is excited by the enjoyment of the entire services of their Rector. The Holy Sacrament of the Lord's Supper is administered monthly, and on the principal Festivals of the Church.

The Sunday School is in a most desirable state of healthfulness and usefulness, under the Superintendence of our valued senior Warden and his excellent and devoted Lady, assisted by twelve laborious and self denying Teachers. The number of Scholars is 119, and the average attendance about 70. The Sunday School Library consists of 240 volumes and does much good. The Parish Library contains 155 volumes.

The following Collections have been made:—

Missionary Fund, . . .	\$20 00
Theological Seminary, . . .	10 37½
Diocesan Fund, . . .	4 63
Education Fund, . . .	5 00

St. Matthew's Church, Bedford, Westchester county; the Rev. ALFRED H. PARTIDGE, Rector.

Baptisms, (adults 2, infants 1,) total 3; Communicants (added 10, died 2, removed 4,) total 65.

Collections:—

For Diocesan Missions,	\$5 62½
“ Diocesan Fund,	3 62½
“ Theological Seminary,	3 50
“ Bishop Kemper's Mission, (being an appropriation of the Ladies' Missionary Association,)	40 00

In addition to the above, we have raised about 800 dollars for the repairs of the Church.

Since the first of September (1839,) I have had the charge of this Parish, and through the blessing of the great Head of the Church, my labors have not been in vain. The Lord has been pleased to bring some into his fold, who have hitherto been utter strangers to the covenant of promise.

St. Paul's Church, East Chester, Westchester county; the Rev. ROBERT BOLTON, Rector.

Baptized 3; Married 1; Funerals 54; (16 of the Parish, 32 from the City and 6 from other parts,) Communicants 40; Died 1; Sunday Scholars 60; Teachers 7.

Contributions:—

For the Diocesan Fund,	\$5 00
“ the Missionary and Education Fund,	100 00
“ the New York Bible and Common Prayer Book Society,	56 50

The services, morning at East Chester, and evening at Pelham have been well attended.

Zion Church, Greenburgh; and Christ Church, Tarry Town, Westchester county; the Rev. WILLIAM CREIGHTON, D. D., Rector.

Zion Church.—Baptisms, infants 3; Communicants 20; Sunday Scholars 60; Teachers 6.

Collections:—

For Theological Seminary,	\$15 50
Miss. Branch of Edu. and Miss. Society,	28 57

Contributions, (since May):—

General Theological Seminary,	\$31 00
Diocesan Missions,	26 00
Children of the Sunday School to do.,	5 20
Episcopal Fund,	10 00
Diocesan “	9 00
Sunday School of the parish,	56 00

Remarks.—Divine Service has been celebrated twice on every Sunday, and occasionally thrice. On Ascension day, on Monday and Tuesday in Whitsun-week. On Friday evening preceding Communion Sundays. And previous to Confirmation lectures delivered weekly, during two months, to the candidates.

The Holy Communion is administered on the first Sunday in every month.

The Children of the Sunday School and Congregation are instructed in the Catechism, by the Rector in the Church, every Sunday after evening service. They have been also, once publicly examined by him, before a large Congregation, immediately after evening prayers. The Rector endeavours to be always present at the opening of the Sunday School, and gives as much of his attention, morning and afternoon, to it as possible. It has been reorganized, and is in a flourishing condition: He is most efficiently aided by the number of Catechists above reported.

The Ladies of the Sewing Society have realized, by the sale of articles during the past year, about the sum of \$150, which will be appropriated to Parochial and Missionary purposes.

St. Peter's Church, Westchester, Westchester county; the Rev. W. POWELL, Rector.

Baptisms 13; Marriages 5; Funerals 9; Communicants (deceased 2, added 50; Catechumens 25.

The following Collections have been made:—

Missionary Fund,	\$47 32
Education “	31 82
Theological Seminary,	21 14
Diocesan Fund,	9 75
Episcopal “	6 65

\$116 68.

Grace Church, Whiteplains, Westchester county; the Rev. ROBERT W. HARRIS, Rector.

Baptisms (infants 8, adults 2,) 10; Marriage 1; Burials 8; Communicants 48; Sunday School (teachers, male 2, female 5,) total 7, scholars, (male 18, female 30,) total 48.

Collections:—

General Theological Seminary	\$26 00
Missionary Fund,	12 00
Education “	10 00
Diocesan “	2 80
Episcopal “	5 00

\$55 80

The children are assembled for pastoral and catechetical instruction every Sunday afternoon. The Parish improves outwardly, and it is humbly hoped also, in vital godliness.

MISSIONARY REPORTS.

The following portions of the Reports made to the Bishop by Missionaries, are printed by his direction :

From the Report of the Rev. WILLIAM BAKER, Missionary at Fairfield and Norway, Herkimer county.

I have officiated at Fairfield two Sundays every month ; one has been devoted to Norway, and the other to Middleville and Newport.

In addition to the services on the Lord's day, we had weekly lectures through the season of Lent, which were well attended.

This station is in a prosperous condition. The Church is better understood, and more highly esteemed among the surrounding population.

Fairfield—baptized, adults 2 ; Confirmed, 1 at Emanuel Church, Little Falls.

Communicants at Fairfield and Middleville, (3 died, 4 added,) present number 53 ; Marriages 6 ; Burials 11.

Norway and Newport—Communicants, (1 died, 5 removed, 2 added,) present number 32.

At Fairfield we have a Sunday school and Bible class.

The following sums have been collected :

For Repairing Trinity Church, Fairfield, about	-	\$300 00
Missionary and Education Fund,	- - -	22 00
Domestic Missionary Committee,	- - -	10 00
Foreign,	- - -	10 00
Central N. Y. Bible and Prayer Book Society,	-	6 00
Episcopal Fund,	- - - - -	2 00
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		\$350 00

From the Report of the Rev. WILLIAM S. BARTLETT, Missionary at Little Falls, Herkimer county.

Baptized, children 2 ; Confirmed 1 ; Marriage 1 ; Funerals 4 ; Communicants (added as new communicants 1, removed into the parish 1, removed from the parish 6,) present number 33 ; Catechumens, Sunday scholars 31.

Contributions :

Education Fund of the Ed. and Miss. Soc. of the Diocese,	\$6 00
Missionary Fund of do. do. do.	12 50
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	*15 00
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Diocesan Fund,	27 50
New York Bible and Common Prayer Book Soc.	5 63
Protestant Episcopal Tract Society,	2 50
General Theological Seminary,	50
Board of Missions of the P. E. Ch. in the U. S. Dom. Miss.	11 00
	*5 00

Besides the above there has been raised by the members of the Sunday School, for Library books, about \$4 50, and by a Ladies' Fair, for objects connected with the church in this parish, about \$200.

Remarks.—Divine service has been performed regularly twice every Sunday, excepting three Sundays when I was absent. Services were also held on Christmas Eve, Christmas day, Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. A missionary meet-

* These two amounts, viz. \$15 and \$5, were raised by the Missionary Society of the Parish.

ing is now held every month on Sunday evening in the Church. Holy communion administered once a month. The children have not as yet been examined in the Church catechism openly in the Church. The number of Catechists engaged in Sunday School instruction is nine.

Your missionary took charge of Emanuel Church, Little Falls, about the middle of last November. The temporal condition of the parish is probably not as good as it was last year. The attendance on Divine worship remains about the same as when he took charge. He cannot, however, have the satisfaction of saying that he sees any marked improvement in the spiritual condition of the people of his care. He would, however, have faith that his labours have not been entirely in vain. Perhaps it would not be out of place to speak of the condition and prospects of the Church in his immediate neighbourhood. The corner stone of an Episcopal Church was laid at Herkimer, 7 miles distant, in August, 1839. No progress has been made beyond preparing the foundation for a Church edifice. Your missionary has made a proposition to officiate every alternate Sunday evening in Herkimer. This he has done once, and intends by Divine permission to continue so to do. The present prospects are that a Church will be built either in Herkimer or Mohawk, (1 mile distant,) in the course of one or two years. He has lately heard that the prospects of our Church are favourable in Fort Plain (15 miles east of this.) Circumstances have hitherto prevented him from visiting Fort Plain, and officiating there, which, however, he intends to do by Divine permission, shortly.

From the Report of the Rev. DAVID I. BURGER, Missionary at Hoosick Falls, Rensselaer county.

St. Mark's Church, Hoosick Falls.—Baptisms (adult 1, infant 1) total 2; Marriage 1; Funerals (adult 1, infants 4) total 5; Communicants (added as new 10, removed into the Parish 4, removed from the Parish 1) present number 14; Catechumens, Sunday School 20.

Contributions :—

Bible and Prayer book Society, . . . \$7 38

Remarks—Catechumens. During the early part of the summer a Sunday School was established numbering 20 scholars and 5 teachers; but, owing to circumstances over which the Rector had no control, it has ceased to exist. Should it please God, an effort will be made early in the spring to revive it.

Contributions.—Having found the parish much involved when I took charge of it last November, and not being duly organized, I did not feel at liberty to call upon the people for that aid required by Canons 13, 14, and 15. We "have done what we could."

Divine Service.—Every Sunday, save one, during the past year, divine service has been regularly performed, most of the time twice, and always once in the Parish Chapel. Indisposition, and a compliance with a kind request of the vestry to spare myself, accounts for the irregular omission of service.

Missionary duty.—My labors have occasionally been extended to North Hoosick, Hoosick Four Corners, and Maple Town.

Occasional services.—On Ash Wednesday and Thanksgiving day service was performed in the Parish Chapel. Local circumstances prevented service on Good Friday. Dec. 5, 1839, Thanksgiving day in Vermont, I officiated, by request, at East Bennington in that state. During the year I have preached 80 times.

Lord's Supper.—About once in six weeks the Holy Communion is administered.

Congregation.—The number of attendants on Divine Service has more than doubled during the last eleven months.

From the Report of the Rev. HENRY M. DAVIS, Missionary at Kingston, Ulster county.

Baptisms, infants 8; Confirmations, 2; Funerals, 2; Communicants, (added as new 4, removed into the Parish 5, removed from the Parish 8, died, 2,) present number 23.

catechumens, in the Sunday School, and Bible class. 40,
 collections:—

For Diocesan Education Fund,	-	-	-	\$5 00
For Missionary Fund,	-	-	-	11 00
Contribution by the Ladies' Society, for Missionary Fund,	-	-	-	10 00

besides which, the Ladies Society raised the additional sum of \$150 00, which applied to paying for repairs on the Church, and other Parish purposes.

from the Report of the Rev. SHELDON DAVIS, Deacon, Missionary at
 terson, Putnam county, and Pawlings, Dutchess county.

Trist Church, Patterson.—Baptized, children 2; Funerals, 1; Communi-
 s, 13; Catechumens, 30; Collection for the Missionary Fund, \$3 00.
 y services in this Parish commenced at Easter. Since that time the Church
 been regularly opened for Divine Service every Sunday Morning, and ce-
 onally in the afternoon. The prospects of the Parish may, in general, be
 to be encouraging.

Peter's Church, Pawlingsville.—Marriages, 1; Communicants, 1. Since
 connection with the Church at Patterson, I have held Sunday Evening Ser-
 s at this place once in two weeks. I have also officiated once on Quaker
 , twice at Beekman, and once at Dover, in each of which places there are se-
 l friends of the Church, who seem disposed to encourage our efforts.

from the Report of the Rev. PALMER DYER, Missionary at Whitehall,
 shington county.

Paul's Church, Whitehall.—Baptized, (adults 5, children 4,) total 9; Con-
 ed, 7; Marriages, 7; Funerals, 8; Communicants, (added as new commu-
 nts, 8, removed into the Parish, 2, removed from the Parish, 9, died 2, sus-
 led, 2,) present number 50.

catechumens, Sunday School, and Bible class, about 50.
 ontributions:—

The Education Fund of the Education Missionary Society of the Diocese,	-	-	-	\$2 50
The Missionary Fund of the Education and Mis- sionary Society of the Diocese,	-	-	-	5 00
The Episcopal Fund,	-	-	-	2 00
The Diocesan Fund,	-	-	-	5 25
The New-York Bible and Common Prayer Book Society,	-	-	-	2 50
The Protestant Episcopal Tract Society,	-	-	-	2 50
The General Theological Seminary,	-	-	-	2 00
The General Protestant Episcopal Sunday School Union,	-	-	-	2 50
To Bishop Chase, for Missions in Illinois,	-	-	-	20 00
For charitable purposes,	-	-	-	34 14
For Parish Sunday School,	-	-	-	35 00
For the improvement of Sacred Music, &c.	-	-	-	100 00

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he regular ministrations on Sundays are confined to St. Paul's Church,
 itehall; but on other days I have officiated once in North Granville, twice in
 t Ann, and four times in Ticonderoga.

he Church of the Cross, Ticonderoga, the report of which will be given in
 one of the wardens, is still destitute of a clergyman; but lay-reading and a
 day School are maintained, and the parish appears to be prosperous, gaining
 umbers and in strength.

he Lake towns constitute a promising field for missionary labor. I have
 ned that there are churchmen residing in Westport, Essex, Port Kent,
 seville, and other neighboring places, who would zealously, and, without

doubt, successfully co-operate with a clergyman in building up the Church in their respective towns.

It is desirable that Union Village, a large and flourishing village in the south part of this county, should become the scene of Missionary labors. It contains some friends of the church, and is surrounded by a rich and populous country, of which it is the chief town. There is no church, and no clergyman, in that part of the county.

From the Report of the Rev. BENJAMIN EVANS, late Missionary at North Salem and Somers, Westchester county, and now Missionary at large in the city of New York.

St. James' Church, North Salem.—Baptisms, adult 1, Married 2; Funerals 8; Communicants (new 1, removed from the Parish 2, died 1,) present number 23; Catechumens, Sunday School Scholars 68; Teachers 10; Instructed in the Church Catechism 45.

Contributions:—

The Education Fund of the Education and Missionary Society of the Diocese,	\$5 00
The Missionary Fund of do.	3 25
The Episcopal Fund,	2 12
The New York Bible and Common Prayer Book Society,	2 00

The Parish Church has been open for Divine Service every Sunday morning. The Holy Communion has been administered the first Sunday in every month.

St. Luke's Church, Somers.—I have officiated in this Parish for the last four months, during which two thousand dollars were subscribed towards the erection of a Church edifice, and a beautiful site purchased, on which to erect the said edifice. The Parish also contributed for the Education Fund of the Education and Missionary Society of the Diocese, \$5 14.

Before I resigned the charge of Christ Church, Patterson, Putnam county; one was added to the Communion, (removed 1,) Married 1; and Buried 7. Collection for the Education Fund of the Education and Missionary Fund of the Diocese, \$2 00.

On the first of this month I entered upon the duties of "Missionary at large," for the city of New York, and I have performed Divine Service 5 times, preached 4 times, Married one couple, and Buried three children.

From the Report of the Rev. GEORGE W. FASH, Deacon, Missionary at Marlborough, Ulster county.

The Missionary commenced his labors in this interesting field on the first Sunday in July last. He found the piously disposed portion of the community, favorably inclined toward the Church in consequence of the prevalence of "new measures" in religion, and of their resulting evils.

Divine Service has since been regularly held twice on the Lord's day; and as there is no other place of worship than our own in the vicinity open on Sunday afternoons, the members of the other religious bodies in the neighborhood attend. In this way, an opportunity has been afforded for the removal of prejudices against the Church; and has been used, with considerable advantage. A Sunday School has been organized, in which 35 catechumens are instructed on the Lord's day under the immediate superintendence of the Missionary, by whom they are catechised once a month "openly in the Church."

The present number of Communicants is 17; (added since July 1st., 7, removed 1.)

The Missionary has baptized one person, an adult; and has attended two funerals, six have been confirmed.

From the Report of the Rev. EDWARD K. FOWLER, Missionary at Monticello, Sullivan county.

During the last year my services have been rendered as follows:—

At Liberty on one Sunday in each month. At Thompsonville and Bridgeville

alternately on each afternoon, when the morning service has been given to Monticello, which has been about forty times.

Baptisms (adults 6, infants 4) 10; Confirmed 17; Marriages 9; Funerals 5; Communicants (died 1, removed 3, added 17) 63.

Collections:—

For the Missionary Fund,	. . . . .	\$5 00
“ Education “	. . . . .	4 00
“ Bible and Common Prayer book Society,	. . . . .	3 00

From the Report of the Rev. ALEXANDER FRAZER, late Missionary at large in the City of New-York.

Since my last report to the first of July, 1840, in the performance of my duties as Missionary at large, I made 1,945 visits to the sick and the poor, of almost every description, in the city; distributed a large number of tracts, and Prayer Books, a number of Bibles in the English, French, German, Spanish, and Italian languages; distributed principally among the sick poor, the sum of \$380 92, and a large amount of clothing, furnished by the benevolent friends of the poor. I have officiated on Sundays in this city and vicinity 56 times; and on week evenings, I have lectured 12 times. I also performed the following acts; Baptisms, infants 19; Funerals 6; Marriages 5. I would embrace this opportunity to tender my sincere and heartfelt thanks to the many kind friends who so liberally supplied me with the means, while in the service of the P. E. City Mission Society, of relieving the wants of the sick, the poor and the distressed. I doubt not but they have already received a rich reward in their own bosoms, and my earnest prayer to God is, that when they have done the will of God on earth, they may receive the welcome plaudit “well done good and faithful servant, enter thou into the joy of thy Lord.”

Since my resignation of the office of Missionary at large, on the first of July last, I have continued to officiate every other Sunday, at the Sailor's Snug Harbor; and the rest of my time has been employed in officiating for the Second African Congregation in this city, who are at present without a Pastor.

The number of Communicants is I believe about 26; Baptisms, infants not of the congregation 7; Marriages, not of the congregation 1; Funerals, not of the congregation 2.

The congregation is not very large, and they are, as it is well known, among the poorest of the poor.

From the Report of the Rev. ASA GRISWOLD, Deacon, Missionary at Walton and Franklin, Delaware county.

Christ Church, Walton.—I entered on the duties of this station in the month of May. I found the Parish much weakened by deaths and removals. It is yet in a low state. Regular Services have been performed on Sundays, except on three occasions, when I have preached in Walton in the forenoon, and in Franklin, 13 miles distant from Walton, in the afternoon; and except on two Sundays, when I have been absent on visits to my family, residing in Windham, Greene county. On each of these two Sundays, I have held one Service in the village of Scienceville, in Windham. Extra Services have been occasionally performed. I expect to divide my time in future, between Walton and Franklin, officiating every third Sunday at the latter place. We have a small Sunday School and Bible class.—

Baptisms 1, by the Bishop; Marriages 1; Burials 1; Communicants 30.

Collection:—

For Education and Missionary Society,	\$2 50
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From the Report of the Rev. REUBEN HUBBARD, Missionary at Mechanicville and Stillwater, Saratoga county.

During the past year, my services have been as formerly equally divided between the Churches at Mechanicville and Stillwater. In these places the current of prejudice sets so strong against the Church, that I have been able, with all the

industry I could use, to produce but little inquiry concerning it. But few desire to read our books, or attend the services of the Church.

I have also given service several times at Northumberland. I passed one Sunday there, and officiated three times. Here there seems to be an increasing inquiry concerning the Church. Here are 6 Communicants, 3 of whom have been added the last year: 1 child has been baptized, and 5 received Confirmation. These persons attend occasionally the Church at Stillwater.

In the Congregation of St. Luke's Church, Mechanicville, there are 16 Communicants, 2 of whom have been added the last year. Four infants have been baptized, and 1 Funeral attended, and 5 have received Confirmation.

In the Congregation of St. John's Church, Stillwater, including those who reside at Schaghticoke Point and Northumberland, are 25 Communicants, 5 of whom have been admitted the last year. 4 infants and 1 adult have been baptized, and 2 Funerals have been attended.

For the greater part of the year I have given a third service on Sunday, at some places remote from the Churches. And every other Friday evening, during long evenings, I have given a lecture in a private room, prepared by a benevolent lady of the Congregation, for that purpose.

Collections:—

In St. Luke's Church, Mechanicville.

For the Education Fund, including one forwarded	
last winter of \$2, - - - - -	\$2 56
" Missionary Fund, - - - - -	3 16
" Diocesan, " - - - - -	2 75

In St. John's, Stillwater.

Diocesan Fund, - - - - -	2 82
Education Fund, including one forwarded last winter of \$15, - - - - -	15 56
Missionary Fund, - - - - -	0 97

From the Report of the Rev. JOHN HUGHES, Missionary at Gilbertsville and Exeter, Otsego county.

Owing to sickness in my family, my report for the last year (1839) was omitted. During this year my time has been divided between Gilbertsville and Exeter, with the exception of giving one service in the afternoon of every third Sunday to a Congregation lately collected at Garrettsville, where there is a fair prospect now to organize a Church.

Christ Church, Gilbertsville. During the last two years—Communicants (added 12, removed 5, died 3) present number 62; Baptisms (adults 7, infants 3,) total 10; Confirmed 17; Marriages 12; Funerals 15.

Collections:—

Missionary and Education Society, - - -	\$30 00
Bible and Prayer Book Society, - - -	4 00

St. John's, Exeter.—This Congregation is small.

Communicants, 11, 1 added last year; Baptisms, 1 infant; Confirmed 3.

Collections:—

Missionary and Education Society, - - -	\$4 50
Prayer book Society, - - -	3 00

From the Report of the Rev. ANDREW HULL, Missionary at Otego and Oneonta, Otsego county.

Immanuel Church, Otego.—Baptized, by the Bishop, infant 1, Confirmed 4; Communicants, (added as new 2,) present number 10.

Contributions:—

The Education Fund of the Education and Missionary Society, - - - - -	\$3 10
Missionary Fund of Education and Missionary Society, -	5 00

Episcopal Fund, - - - - -	\$1 30
Diocesan Fund, - - - - -	5 25
Protestant Episcopal Tract Society, - - - - -	2 00

Total \$16 65

Remarks.—The debt alluded to in my report of last year, has not yet been liquidated ; but some members of the Vestry have come to such a determination respecting it, that a more favorable report, I trust, will be presented next year. The congregation is still small, and the same may be said of each of the other two religious Societies, and the population of the town.

Oneonta, the other station assigned to me, has been my place of residence. In this place the prospects for organizing, and building up a Church are very encouraging. Eight persons, with very commendable liberality, and at an expense of \$1600, have purchased a dwelling house, suitable for a parsonage, and sufficient land connected with it, for a Church edifice. Upon this lot a small building has been erected, at an expense of about \$350, and is designed for temporary use as a Chapel, until the Parish, as such, shall be able to make the whole property its own ; when it is supposed that it will need a more commodious and costly house for the purposes of public worship. I have not conducted Divine Service in the village, since the first of April, owing to the removal of the School house in which we were accustomed to meet : but in the meantime I have officiated occasionally in a school house about 3 miles distant, and occasionally in the village of Laurens, where the Church has many friends, and some communicants. These persons are now making an effort to secure my services during the ensuing year, for a third of the time. In Oneonta confirmation was administered by the Bishop in the Baptist Meeting House.

Confirmed 3 ; Communicants 14 ; Marriages 2 ; Funerals, in the early part of the year, during the absence of the Rector of Christ Church, Cooperstown, I was called upon to bury one young lady and two children belonging to that parish.

From the Report of the Rev. AARON HUMPHREY, late Missionary at Waddington and Lisbon, St. Lawrence county.

Since my last report, I have continued to officiate in Waddington and Lisbon as heretofore, officiating in the former three-fourths of the Sundays and in the latter one-fourth, and in addition to this, the Church in Waddington has been opened for Divine Service, and a Sermon on Thanksgiving day, Christmas, Ash Wednesday, and Good Friday.

The state of these Parishes is not very prosperous, the attendants upon the public worship however have not diminished in numbers.

St. Luke's Church in Lisbon is very feeble, containing but few in number, and destitute of a house of worship, and unable to contribute but little to the support of the institutions of the Church.

Waddington.—Baptisms, Children 9 ; Marriages, 1 ; Burials, 2.

Contributions :—

Education and Missionary Society, \$7 00

Lisbon.—Baptisms, (adults 2, children 6,) total 8 ; Burials 1.

From the Report of the Rev. HIRAM JELLIFF, Missionary at Lithgow, Dutchess county.

Marriages, 2 ; Funerals, 2 ; Communicants, (added as new communicants 2,) present number 31 ; Carechumens, about 12.

Contributions :—

The Education Fund of the Education and Missionary Society of the Diocese, - - -	\$5 00
The Missionary Fund of the Education and Missionary Society of the Diocese, - - -	5 00
The Episcopal Fund, - - - - -	1 25
The Diocesan Fund, - - - - -	1 00
The New-York Bible and Prayer Book Society, -	1 00
The Protestant Episcopal Tract Society. -	0 50

Remarks.—Divine Service has been celebrated once every Sunday morning. Evening service has been performed as usual as occasion offered.

The Communion has been administered as often as was needed.

From the Report of the Rev. LOT JONES, Missionary in charge of the Mission Church of the Epiphany, New-York.

General condition—highly prosperous. The interior of the church—greatly improved. Average attendance—greater than in any former year. An increase in devotional feelings, and the observance of religious duties—strongly marked.

Baptisms, (adults 22, infants 74,) 96; Confirmed, 104; Marriages, 24; Funerals, 48; Communicants, (added as new 75, removed to the congregation 14, left 48, died 9.) present number, 326; Catechumens, 363; Catechists, 45.

Divine Service is celebrated on Friday and three times on Sunday through the year, on the principal festivals, every Wednesday in Lent, and every day in Passion Week. Baptism is administered on the last Sunday, and the Holy Communion on the first Sunday in every month. Collections are made on every occasion of public worship.

From the Report of the Rev. JOHN KNILL, late Missionary at Port Jackson, Montgomery county; and West Charlton, Saratoga county.

Baptisms, (adults 2, infants 21,) total 23; Funerals 5; Communicants 8.

Contributions:—

To Diocesan Missions,	. . . . .	\$5 00
To the Education Fund,	. . . . .	5 00

In May I resigned my Missionary station, and have undertaken no cure since, in consequence of ill health.

From the Report of the Rev. JOHN NOBLE, Missionary at Fonda, Montgomery county.

Our attendance at the Court House is constant and regular, but I cannot say that there appears much increase in the number of worshippers.

I have had no Baptisms and but 1 Funeral. I have officiated 3 times at Port Jackson.

From the Report of the Rev. JESSE POUND, Missionary in charge of the Mission Church of the Holy Evangelists, New York.

It is with much gratitude, I record the peace and healthful improvement of the station in my charge. Perhaps it never more fully carried out its true objects, than at present. Its congregation, (although very fluctuating,) is larger than last year; and in the spirit of devotion by which it is characterised, I feel much present encouragement, and the assurance of increasing usefulness; this Church is in reality the spiritual home of the stranger, the widow, and the fatherless; there being but comparatively few families of known residence, attached to it. But your Missionary is happy in his work, and ardently desirous of its more extended prosperity.

The Church has been opened for public worship three times every Sunday, and on the evening of every Thursday through the year, (except on three occasions, when violent storms prevented.) The Fasts and Festivals, have all been observed in the usual manner.

Since my last report, there has been added to the Communion, by removal 16, new Communicants 21,—37; Died 4, Removed 30, present number about 250. Baptisms, (adult 1, infants 37,) 38; Confirmed 17; Marriages 9; and Burials 17.

The Sunday School has been seriously affected by the establishment of other schools in the neighbourhood, but still continues to exert its salutary influence. The children are catechised by the Missionary every month, and for a large portion of the year, a Bible Class has been held, chiefly composed of the Teachers. It numbers per Register about 230 scholars:—has 7 Male, and 16 Female Teach-

ers. The Daily Infant School is more prosperous; having 120 children in it, with an average attendance of ninety.

The Congregation has paid all the contingent expenses of the station, during the past year; and has contributed to the Sunday School \$35. to the Missionary Society of the Diocese \$11 50, and to the Poor \$87 43. The needy children of the schools have been furnished with shoes and clothing, to a considerable amount; and during last winter, I received for the Poor from benevolent individuals in the city \$323 50, and some clothing, which was applied to the mitigation of human misery, in almost every form.

From the Report of the Rev. LUCIUS M. PURDY, Missionary at Hampton, Washington county.

Christ Church, and St. Simon's Chapel.—Baptized (adults 3, infants 2,) total 5; Confirmed 3; Marriages 5; Funerals 6; Communicants, (added 3, by removal 2, died 3, removed from the parish 1,) present number 42; Catechumens about 20.

Contributions:—

Diocesan Education Fund,	.	.	.	\$ 3 50
" Missionary "	.	.	.	4 00
" Fund,	.	.	.	2 25
New-York Bible and and Prayer Book Society,	.	.	.	3 00
Protestant Episcopal Tract Society,	.	.	.	3 00
Board of Missions Protestant Episcopal Church, Domestic,	.	.	.	10 00

\$25 75

Last Autumn, the Vestry erected, at the expense of \$650, a neat and convenient Chapel, 28 by 40 feet, in what is now a central part of the parish. It was consecrated by the Bishop of the Diocese, on the 9th Sunday after Trinity, by the name of *St. Simon's Chapel*. It is used for Divine Service during the winter, and occasionally at other seasons, and, by the convenience of its site, has increased our congregation. I have occasionally officiated in neighboring towns, generally meeting with large and attentive congregations, and some devout churchmen.

From the Report of the Rev. GEORGE SAYRES, Missionary at Cairo, Greene county.

Calvary Church, Cairo.—Since my appointment on the 13th of January last to this station, there have been,

Baptized, adults 2, Confirmed 1, Funerals 2; Communicants (added 5,) 17; Sunday Scholars 41.

The Contributions, have been:—

To the Education Fund,	.	.	.	\$1 00
" " Missionary "	.	.	.	7 00
" " Diocesan "	.	.	.	3 75

For about a year preceding my arrival, the parish had been favoured with the valuable ministrations of the Rev. Mr. Philips of Catskill, distant hence nearly 10 miles, who officiated regularly on the afternoon of every second Sunday. Since then the Services of the Church have been held on the morning and afternoon of each alternate Lord's day. The intermediate Sundays have been spent at St. Paul's Church, Oakhill, distant 12 miles from Cairo. I have preached at Oakhill twice for nearly every fortnight, as an assistant to the Rev. Mr. Thompson, in whose account of that parish my services are included. Frequently when I have been absent at Oakhill, a lay Service has been conducted by one of the wardens of Calvary Church. Also a large number of weekly evening and holiday services have been sustained. The usual attendance at Cairo, has been of late uncommonly good; and I rejoice to add that a deep spirit of seriousness and attention seems to pervade a great part of the congregation. There is still much scepticism and sectarianism to contend with, and a great number of persons are yet unbaptized. Early in the Spring an interesting Sunday School was formed, which is held every Sunday without interruption from my frequent ab-

scences, at Oakhill. I have examined them publicly in the Church as often as once in each month, besides preaching for their especial benefit.

Since my admission to Priest's orders on the 10th of May, the Holy Communion has been administered three times. The chancel formerly very commodious, has been enlarged in a handsome manner. The fences about the Church have been completed, and a large number of shade trees have been set out before the yard and within it. A subscription has just been commenced for the purpose of procuring a suitable bell.

From the Report of the Rev. ISAAC SHERWOOD, Missionary at Cold Spring Harbor, Queen's county, and Huntington, Suffolk county.

Cold Spring.—The condition of the church remains about the same as when last reported. During the summer, and in favorable weather, there is a good attendance upon divine worship. We have cause to rejoice in the pious devotion and firm attachment to the church, of some who having been baptized into Christ, have put on Christ, who, we trust, will remain faithful to their covenant engagements.

Baptisms, adults 4, children 6; Funerals, 2; Confirmed, 5; Communicants, 13. Contributed for the Episcopal, Diocesan, Missionary, and Education Societies, each one \$1.

Huntington.—The Church fully justifies the hopes of its devoted patrons and friends. From a state of entire desolation it has been recovered and will maintain its present position, while the faith, piety, and zeal, of its firm supporters continue to give decided proof of attachment to the best of causes in which they are engaged.

Baptisms, adults, 2, children, 4; Funerals, 2; Confirmed, 7; Communicants, 18.

Contributed for the Episcopal, Diocesan, Missionary, and Education Societies, each \$1.

From the Report of the Rev. ORSAMUS H. SMITH, Missionary at Rensselaerville, Albany county, and Greeneville, Greene county.

The service of the Church was maintained in Rensselaerville on all of the Sundays, from the time of the sitting of the last Convention, to about the 1st of April, when, by the direction of the Bishop, I extended my missionary labors to Christ Church, Greeneville. Since that date every fourth Sunday has been spent in that parish.

The numbers baptized, confirmed, and added to the Communion, this year, in Trinity Church, Rensselaerville, as may be seen by the report of the Rev. S. Fuller, will show some increase, and enlarged contributions to church objects manifest more extended liberality.

The Congregation of Christ Church, Greeneville, I found in rather a depressed state. The people, however, were highly gratified to have missionary aid extended to them, and have thus far shown very commendable zeal in the maintenance of service. The Congregation has been larger than could have been expected when circumstances are considered. We are encouraged by the hope that if missionary aid can be continued, the congregation will shortly rise from its depression, and by God's blessing, flourish well.

Baptisms, children 6; Funeral 1; Confirmed by the Bishop 2; the number of Communicants as nearly as at present known is 13.

Collections :—

The Sewing Society has appropriated to the Missionary Fund,	\$26 50
Collection in Church for Missionary Fund,	3 65
Education,	2 37
Diocesan,	6 00
Episcopal,	1 00

From the Report of the Rev. JOHN A. SPOONER, Missionary at Glen's Falls, Warren county, and Sandy Hill, and Fort Edward, Washington county.

Church of the Messiah, Glen's Falls.—Baptized, (adults 4, children 6,) total 10; Confirmed 9; Funerals 3; Communicants 19; Catechumens 50.

Zion Church, Sandy Hill.—Baptized, (adults 1, children 2,) total 3; Confirmed 6; Communicants 35; Catechumens 20.

Remarks.—I have had charge of this Missionary Station since 19th January last. Besides Glen's Falls, and Sandy Hill the station includes Fort Edward. The report for Fort Edward (no organization having yet been effected there) is included in that for Sandy Hill. In one short mission northwards from my station, I held services at Ticonderoga, Warrensburgh, Chester and Minerva: at Minerva, 40 miles from Glen's Falls, I baptized two children not included in the above reports. In addition to my regular Sunday services, I occupied two weeks, previous to the visit of the Bishop for Confirmation—every evening in one week at Glen's Falls, and every evening of the other, at Sandy Hill, in lectures on the Order and Holiness of the Church.

From the Report of the Rev. CYRUS STEBBINS, D. D., Missionary at Waterford, Saratoga county, and Cohoes, Albany county.

Waterford.—Marriages 4; Baptisms, (infants 6, adults 3,) total 9; Communicants, (removed 8,) present number 31; Funerals 5.

Cohoes.—Marriage 1; Baptisms, (infants 3, adults 1,) total 4; Confirmed 12; Communicants, (removed 5,) present number 12.

Sunday School in each Church, as usual. Collections have been made for Missionary and Diocesan purposes.

From the Report of the Rev. JAMES THOMPSON, Missionary at Oakhill, Greene county.

I would report, that through the mercy and goodness of God, I have performed Divine Service every Sunday at St. Paul's Church, Oakhill, from the 1st of October till the 20th of January last, except two Sundays when I was prevented by storms, after that time every other Sunday till the present time; two Sundays also at Cairo—3 times on Holy Week days. There has been a good attendance on public worship this year, better than usual. A common blessing has attended my labors. We are now raising money to fence the Church and burying ground which will cost about seventy-five Dollars, which will soon be done. The Rev. Mr. Sayres, commenced his services about the 20th of January last as assistant with me to perform Divine Service one half of the time, in connection with Cairo. He receives all that can be collected in the Congregation, for his salary, and I give him one half of my missionary stipend in addition—we profit by his assistance. I am in hopes he will be able soon to take up the Sunday Schools, Bible Class, and monthly Missionary lectures, so important in a congregation.

Communicants 20, (added 1 new, removed 1, from the Parish, added by removals 2 to the parish.) Baptisms 2; Funerals 2; Marriages 1; Confirmation 1; Education Fund, \$8.50, Missionary Fund, \$7 81.

The Bishop has also received reports, according to the Canon, from the following Clergymen of the Diocese, not having parochial or missionary charge therein :—

The Rev. Jasper Adams, D. D., Chaplain and Professor of Ethics in the United States Military Academy, West Point, who reports, at his station, Baptisms 4 infants; Marriages 6; Burials 7; Communicants (1 cadet added as a new Communicant) about 18; and a Sunday School of 50 or 60 scholars.

The Rev. William H. A. Bissell, instructor in the Troy Episcopal Institute, who reports the baptism of one child in the chapel of the Institute.

The Rev. Calvin Colton.

The Rev. Isaiah G. De Grasse, Deacon.

The Rev. George B. Eastman, instructor in the Troy Episcopal Institute.

The Rev. John B. Kerfoot, chaplain and instructor in St. Paul's College, College Point, Queen's county, and officiating in Whitestone Chapel, in the parish of St. George's Church, Flushing, for his report respecting which, see the report of the Rector of St. George's.

The Rev. John M'Vickar, D. D., professor of Moral and Intellectual Philosophy and Political Economy in Columbia College, New-York.

The Rev. Thomas Mallaby, residing at Tompkinsville, Richmond county.

The Rev. Moses Marcus, Missionary of the Board of Missions of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, at Nantucket, Massachusetts.

The Rev. John F. Messenger, teacher, Brooklyn.

The Rev. William H. Moore, Deacon, officiating in the Diocese of Rhode Island.

The Rev. Amos Pardee, residing at Caldwell, Warren county.

The Rev. Benjamin O. Peers, Editor of the General Protestant Episcopal Sunday School Union, New-York.

The Rev. Thomas C. Reed, Professor of Political Economy in Union College, Schenectady.

The Rev. Gilbert H. Sayres, residing at Jamaica, Queen's county.

The Rev. John Scovill, residing at Johnstown, Fulton county.

The Rev. Daniel Shepard, principal of the Delaware Academy, Delhi, Delaware county.

The Rev. James Sunderland, teacher, New-York.

The Rev. Albert D. Traver, Deacon, officiating in the Diocese of Connecticut.

The Rev. Samuel H. Turner, D. D. professor of Biblical Learning and the interpretation of Scripture in the General Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, New-York.

The Rev. John A. Vaughan, D. D., Secretary and General Agent of the Foreign Committee of the Board of Missions of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, New-York.

The Rev. William F. Walker, principal of the Troy Episcopal Institute, who reports the celebration of the Daily Morning and Evening Prayers, and the monthly administration of the Communion in the Institute. Communicants in connection with the Institute 12; Confirmed 2; Baptized 2.

Note.—I have been much gratified at the attention which has been given by my Reverend Brethren, the Parochial Clergy and Missionaries, who have reported agreeably to the form of Report which I recommended in the appendix to the Journal of the last Convention. Its benefit in securing a just view of the state of the Diocese, must, I think, be obvious to all readers of this Journal. I would earnestly and affectionately express the hope that a general compliance with it will hereafter be observed; and to this end, append to this note its republication.

It is to be regretted that the reports of several parishes have not been given in. From several of my Reverend brethren, too, who are without parochial cure, no reports have been received. However circumstanced, or in whatever part of the country, or in whatever country residents, all Clergy are bound by the Canons, to report themselves annually to their proper Diocesans; and Diocesan relation is not changed, without a regular canonical transfer and acceptance.

BENJAMIN T. ONDERDONK.

The following is the recommended form of Parochial and Missionary Reports:—

Baptized, Adults——
Children——
Total——

Confirmed——[*In this number should be included all belonging to the parish, whether confirmed therein or elsewhere, and not those of other parishes who may have resorted thither for Confirmation.*]

Marriages——
Funerals——

Communicants. Added as new Communicants——
Removed into the parish——
Removed from the parish——
Died——
Present number——

Catechumens——[*Under this head, let there be included, distinguished as occasion requires, all the children and others of the parish who are under a course of instruction in the Church catechism ; members of other classes for religious instruction ; and Sunday scholars.*]

Contributions. The Education Fund of the Education and Missionary Society of the Diocese——
The Missionary Fund of the Education and Missionary Society of the Diocese——
The Episcopal Fund——
The Diocesan Fund——

[*Contributions to the above-mentioned four objects are required by the Canons to be made annually by every congregation. The following are also hereby earnestly recommended :—*]

The New-York Bible and Common Prayer Book Society——
The Protestant Episcopal Tract Society, New-York——
The General Theological Seminary——
The General Protestant Episcopal Sunday School Union——
The Board of Missions of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States——

[*Distinguishing, as occasion requires, between Domestic and Foreign Missions.*]

In the City of New York, The City Mission Society——
Other objects connected with the Church——

[*Distinguishing as occasion requires.*]

Remarks. [Under this head, let there be included, according to the Canon, all matters, other than those above specified, which may throw light on the state of the parish ; especially, The number of times divine service has been celebrated on Sundays, on Holy days, and on other days ;—The number of times the Holy Communion is administered ;—The frequency with which children have been instructed or examined in the Church catechism by the minister, openly in the Church ; and, The number of Catechists who aid the pastor in Sunday School or other catechetical instruction.]

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One of the *Discretionary Prayers at the end of the Communion Service*.

2 Corinthians, xiii. 14.

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NO. III.

PROCEEDINGS

NECESSARY TO THE ORGANIZATION OF NEW CHURCHES.

Reported by a Committee of the Convention in 1827.

By the Act to provide for the Incorporation of Religious Societies, passed 5th April, 1813, and the Act amending the same passed 5th March, 1819, it is competent for the male persons of full age, belonging to any Church, Congregation, or Religious Society, to incorporate themselves, although such persons may not have belonged to the Church, Congregation, or Society, for the last twelve months; in which last respect the latter Act is an amendment of the former.

The first step to be taken in order to an incorporation, is to give notice at morning service, on the two Sundays previous to the time which may be appointed for the election of Church Wardens and Vestrymen, of the intended election; which notice is to be given by the Rector, or if there be none, by any other person belonging to the Congregation.

The Congregation having met at the time and place appointed, the Rector, or if there be none, or he be necessarily absent, then such other person as may be called to the chair, shall preside at this first election; and two other persons should be nominated, to certify, with him, the proceedings of the meeting.

The meeting is then, by a majority of voices, to elect two Church Wardens and eight Vestrymen, and to determine on what day in Easter-week the functions of the persons then elected shall cease, and their successors shall be afterwards annually chosen; together with the corporate name or title by which the Church is to be known.

A certificate is then to be signed, under the hand and seal of the Rector, or other person who shall preside at the election, and of two other persons nominated for that purpose, stating the names of the persons elected to the offices of Church Wardens and Vestrymen, and also the day in Easter-week appointed for the annual elections, and the corporate name or title of the Church.

This certificate is to be acknowledged by the persons signing it, or proved by one or more of the subscribing witnesses, before the Chancellor, or one of the Judges of the Supreme Court, or one of the

Judges of the Court of Common Pleas of the county where the church or congregation is established. It is then to be recorded in the County Clerk's office, in a book to be by him provided for the purpose.

It may be proper to add, that the qualifications to vote for Churchwardens and Vestrymen, required by the first section of the Act of 1813, will be requisite at all annual elections after the first; that is, at such subsequent elections the voters must have belonged to the congregation for the preceding twelve months, and must have been baptized in the Protestant Episcopal Church, or must have been received therein by the rite of Confirmation, or by receiving the holy Communion, or by purchasing or hiring a pew or seat in the church, or by some joint act of the parties and of the Rector, whereby they shall have attached themselves to the Protestant Episcopal Church.'

A form of the certificate of incorporation, and of the proof of its execution, is hereunto subjoined.

TO ALL WHOM THESE PRESENTS MAY CONCERN: *We whose names and seals are hereunto affixed do certify, that in pursuance of notice duly given, according to law, for that purpose, at the time of Divine service, on the two Sunday mornings now last past, the male persons of full age belonging to the Church, Congregation, or Society, commonly called _____ Church, in the _____ of* _____; in which Church, Congregation, or Society, Divine Service is celebrated according to the rites of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of New-York; met at their place of worship in _____, for the purpose of incorporating themselves under the Act entitled "An Act to Provide for the Incorporation of Religious Societies," and the Act to amend the same. At which meeting, and by a majority of voices, the undersigned _____ being Rector of the said Church,† was called to the chair and presided, and the undersigned _____ were nominated to certify the proceedings of said meeting, in conjunction with said Rector,‡ and by a majority of voices, _____ were elected Churchwardens, _____ were elected Vestrymen, of said Church; and _____, in the week called Easter-week, was, in like manner, fixed on as the day on which the said offices of Churchwardens and Vestrymen shall annually there-*

* Instead of the words "commonly called," &c., may be inserted the words *worshipping in*, [here name the town, village, street, building, or other particular designation.]

† The words "being Rector of the said Church," are to be omitted when the Rector does not preside at the meeting, and in place of them the name of the Chairman is to be inserted.

‡ When the Rector does not preside at the meeting, here omit the word "Rector," and insert the name of the Chairman.

after cease, and their successors in office be chosen; and the name or title of "The Rector, Churchwardens, and Vestrymen of Church, in the of," was in like manner fixed on and agreed to, as that by which the said Church, Congregation, or Society, shall be known in law. In testimony whereof, we, the said , together with the undersigned , have hereunto subscribed our names, and affixed our seals, this day of , in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and

Signed and sealed in the presence of

On the day of , in the year of our Lord , before me of the Court of Common Pleas for the county of , personally appeared one of the subscribing witnesses to the above instrument, to me personally known, who being by me duly sworn, did depose and say, that he resides at , that he knew , the persons described in, and whose names and seals are affixed to, the foregoing instrument, and saw them execute the same; that they acknowledged to him that they executed the same, and that he, the said , in their presence and at their request, did, together with , subscribe their names as witnesses thereto.

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This certificate is to be acknowledged by the persons signing it, or proved by one or more of the subscribing witnesses, before the Chancellor, or one of the Judges of the Supreme Court, or one of the

Judges of the Court of Common Pleas of the county where the church or congregation is established. It is then to be recorded in the County Clerk's office, in a book to be by him provided for the purpose.

It may be proper to add, that the qualifications to vote for Churchwardens and Vestrymen, required by the first section of the Act of 1813, will be requisite at all annual elections after the first; that is, at such subsequent elections the voters must have belonged to the congregation for the preceding twelve months, and must have been baptized in the Protestant Episcopal Church, or must have been received therein by the rite of Confirmation, or by receiving the holy Communion, or by purchasing or hiring a pew or seat in the church, or by some joint act of the parties and of the Rector, whereby they shall have attached themselves to the Protestant Episcopal Church.

A form of the certificate of incorporation, and of the proof of its execution, is hereunto subjoined.

TO ALL WHOM THESE PRESENTS MAY CONCERN: *We whose names and seals are hereunto affixed do certify, that in pursuance of notice duly given, according to law, for that purpose, at the time of Divine service, on the two Sunday mornings now last past, the male persons of full age belonging to the Church, Congregation, or Society, commonly called* _____ *Church, in the* _____ *of** _____ *; in which Church, Congregation, or Society, Divine Service is celebrated according to the rites of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of New-York; met at their place of worship in* _____ *, for the purpose of incorporating themselves under the Act entitled "An Act to Provide for the Incorporation of Religious Societies," and the Act to amend the same. At which meeting, and by a majority of voices, the undersigned* _____ *being Rector of the said Church,† was called to the chair and presided, and the undersigned* _____ *were nominated to certify the proceedings of said meeting, in conjunction with said Rector,‡ and by a majority of voices,* _____ *were elected Churchwardens,* _____ *and* _____ *were elected Vestrymen, of said Church; and* _____ *, in the week called Easter-week, was, in like manner, fixed on as the day on which the said offices of Churchwardens and Vestrymen shall annually there-*

* Instead of the words "commonly called," &c., may be inserted the words *worshipping in*, [here name the town, village, street, building, or other particular designation.]

† The words "being Rector of the said Church," are to be omitted when the Rector does not preside at the meeting, and in place of them the name of the Chairman is to be inserted.

‡ When the Rector does not preside at the meeting, here omit the word "Rector," and insert the name of the Chairman.

his improvement in them ; or a certificate from two presbyters, appointed by the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese to examine him, of his possessing such academical learning as may enable him to enter advantageously on a course of Theology.—Or, (*Sec. 4.*) when the person applying to be admitted a candidate, wishes the knowledge of the Latin and Greek languages, and other branches of learning not strictly ecclesiastical, to be dispensed with, he must, instead of the above-mentioned diploma or certificate, lay before the Standing Committee a testimonial, signed by at least two presbyters of the Church, stating, that in their opinion he possesses extraordinary strength of natural understanding, a peculiar aptitude to teach, and a large share of prudence ; with proper evidence that the Bishop, with the consent of the Standing Committee, has granted such dispensation. The Canons provide that this dispensation shall not be granted to any person under 27 years of age, and that no person shall be ordained under such a dispensation until he shall have attained 30 years of age ; but as to the Hebrew language, the power of dispensation rests with the Bishop alone, without reference to the age of the candidate. The Standing Committee may then sign a testimonial in behalf of the candidate, which he must produce to the Bishop, who (*Sec. 6.*) may thereon admit him as a candidate for Orders ; in which station he must remain three years before his ordination, unless the Bishop, with the consent of the Standing Committee, shall deem it expedient to ordain him after the expiration of a shorter period, not less than one year.*

**DIRECTIONS FOR CANDIDATES FOR HOLY ORDERS WISHING TO BE
ORDAINED DEACONS.**

Canon XV.—(*Sec. 2.*) *Gen. Conv. 1832.* A candidate for Holy

* The Canon contains also the following provisions, which, however, have no relation to the testimonials. (*Sec. 5.*) With this enumeration of qualifications, it ought to be made known to the candidate, that the Church expects of him—what can never be brought to the test of any outward standard—an inward fear and worship of ALMIGHTY GOD : a love of religion, and sensibility to its holy influence : a habit of devout affection : and in short, a cultivation of all those graces which are called in Scripture the fruits of the Spirit, and by which alone His sacred influence can be manifested.

(*Sec. 9.*) If a candidate shall not, within three years after his admission, apply for his first and second examinations, or within five years for his third and fourth examinations, except for causes seeming good to the Bishop, he shall in either case cease to be a candidate.

(*Sec. 10.*) Any person desirous to become a candidate for Holy Orders, must apply to the Bishop or ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese in which he resides, unless they shall consent that the application be made in some other Diocese.

Candidates are not to change their canonical residence but for bona fide causes requiring the same, and to be judged of by the Bishop or ecclesiastical authority.

APPENDIX.

NO. IV.

DIRECTIONS

For persons desirous to become Candidates for Holy Orders, and for those desiring Ordination as Deacons and Priests.

DIRECTIONS FOR THOSE WISHING TO BECOME CANDIDATES FOR HOLY ORDERS.

Can. IV.—Sect. 1. Gen. Conv. 1838. A person wishing to become a candidate for Holy Orders must, in the first instance, give notice of his intention to the Bishop, or if there be no Bishop, to the ecclesiastical authority, or to the President of the Standing Committee of the Diocese.

Sect. 2. He is then to apply to the Standing Committee for their recommendation of him to the Bishop, to be admitted as a candidate for Orders. To enable the Committee to act, he must lay before them—I. Evidence of his having made his intention known to the Bishop. II. A certificate to the following effect, unless the Standing Committee can certify the same facts of their own knowledge :—

“ To the Standing Committee of the Diocese of New-York.

(Date.)

“ We, the subscribers, from a satisfactory knowledge of the character of A. B., do hereby testify our belief that he is pious, sober, and honest ; that he is attached to the doctrines, discipline and worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church, and a communicant of the same ; and in our opinion, possesses such qualifications as will render him apt and meet to exercise the ministry to the glory of God and edifying of the Church.”

✂ The above certificate should be signed by one presbyter, and at least four respectable laymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

It is not absolutely essential that the signers of the above should have a personal acquaintance with the applicant ; but they may act upon such knowledge of his character from other sources as is satisfactory to them.

III. (*Sec. 3.*) A satisfactory diploma ; or a certificate from the instructor or instructors of some approved literary institution, which certificate must state what have been his studies, and the extent of

DIRECTIONS FOR DEACONS WISHING TO BE ORDAINED PRIESTS.

A Deacon wishing to be ordained a Priest, must lay before the Standing Committee the same testimonials, subscribed in the same way, as those required of him on his application for ordination as a Deacon ; except (*Sec. 5.*) that they may be so altered as to extend to such portion only of the three years preceding his application for Priest's Orders as has elapsed since his ordination as Deacon ; and except, also, that if he be minister of the parish, the testimonial of piety, good morals, and orderly conduct, shall be signed by the vestry alone. The Standing Committee may then give him the canonical recommendation for Orders, which he is to exhibit to the Bishop.

No person shall be ordained Priest, unless he shall produce to the Bishop a satisfactory certificate, from some church, parish, or congregation, that he is engaged with them, and that they will receive him as their minister ; or unless he be a missionary under the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese to which he belongs ; or in the employment of some missionary society recognized by the General Convention ; or unless he be engaged as a professor, tutor, or instructor of youth, in some college, academy, or other seminary of learning duly incorporated.*

Candidates for ordination as Priests or Deacons, are referred to the following further provisions :—

Canon XV. 1832.—(*Sec. 3.*) If the candidate, from peculiar circumstances, not affecting his pious or moral character, shall be unable to procure testimonials from the ministry and vestry of the parish where he resides, testimonials to the effect required may be received from at least twelve respectable members of the Protestant Episcopal Church, and from at least one respectable presbyter who has been personally acquainted with the candidate for at least one year.

(*Sec. 4.*) A candidate recommended by the Standing Committee of any church destitute of a Bishop, if he shall have resided for the greater part of the last three years within the Diocese of a Bishop, shall apply to such Bishop for ordination, and shall produce the usual testimonials, as well from the Standing Committee of the Diocese in which he has resided, as from the Committee of the Church in the Diocese for which he is to be ordained.

* For the case of one who has officiated as a minister, or been a licentiate, or student of theology, of another denomination, see Canon VII. of the General Convention of 1838.

Orders wishing to be ordained a Deacon, must lay before the Standing Committee a testimonial in the following words :—

“ To the Standing Committee of the Diocese of New-York.

“ We, whose names are hereunder written, do testify from evidence satisfactory to us, that A. B., for the space of three years last past, hath lived piously, soberly, and honestly ; and hath not, so far as we know or believe, written, taught, or held any thing contrary to the doctrine or discipline of the Protestant Episcopal Church ; and moreover, we think him a person worthy to be admitted to the sacred order of Deacons. In witness whereof, we have hereunto set our hands, this — day of —, in the year of our LORD —.”

The above certificate is to be subscribed by the minister and vestry of the parish where the candidate resides, or by the vestry alone if the parish be vacant, (of which circumstance the Committee must be duly certified,) and must contain the names of at least a majority of all the wardens, and vestrymen. The respective titles of the minister, wardens and vestrymen, must be attached to their signatures. If there be no vestry where the candidate resides, the circumstance must be certified to the Committee, and then the testimonial must be signed by at least twelve respectable persons of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

It is not absolutely essential that the signers of this testimonial should be personally acquainted with the candidate ; they may act upon a satisfactory knowledge of his character from any other source.

The candidate must also lay before the Standing Committee a certificate in the following words :—

“ To the Standing Committee of the Diocese of New-York.

“ I do hereby testify that A. B., for the space of three years last past, hath lived piously, soberly, and honestly ; and hath not, so far as I know or believe, written, taught, or held, any thing contrary to the doctrine or discipline of the Protestant Episcopal Church ; and moreover, I think him a person worthy to be admitted to the sacred order of Deacons. This testimonial is founded on my personal knowledge of the said A. B., for one year last past, and for the residue of the said time upon evidence that is satisfactory to me. In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand, this — day of —, in the year of our LORD —.”

The above testimonial must be signed by at least one respectable presbyter of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States. The Standing Committee may then sign the canonical recommendation to the Bishop for Orders ; which the candidate is to exhibit to the Bishop.

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A Deacon wishing to be ordained a Priest, must lay before the Standing Committee the same testimonials, subscribed in the same way, as those required of him on his application for ordination as a Deacon ; except (*Sec. 5.*) that they may be so altered as to extend to such portion only of the three years preceding his application for Priest's Orders as has elapsed since his ordination as Deacon ; and except, also, that if he be minister of the parish, the testimonial of piety, good morals, and orderly conduct, shall be signed by the vestry alone. The Standing Committee may then give him the canonical recommendation for Orders, which he is to exhibit to the Bishop.

No person shall be ordained Priest, unless he shall produce to the Bishop a satisfactory certificate, from some church, parish, or congregation, that he is engaged with them, and that they will receive him as their minister ; or unless he be a missionary under the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese to which he belongs ; or in the employment of some missionary society recognized by the General Convention ; or unless he be engaged as a professor, tutor, or instructor of youth, in some college, academy, or other seminary of learning duly incorporated.*

Candidates for ordination as Priests or Deacons, are referred to the following further provisions :—

Canon XV. 1832.—(Sec. 3.) If the candidate, from peculiar circumstances, not affecting his pious or moral character, shall be unable to procure testimonials from the ministry and vestry of the parish where he resides, testimonials to the effect required may be received from at least twelve respectable members of the Protestant Episcopal Church, and from at least one respectable presbyter who has been personally acquainted with the candidate for at least one year.

(*Sec. 4.*) A candidate recommended by the Standing Committee of any church destitute of a Bishop, if he shall have resided for the greater part of the last three years within the Diocese of a Bishop, shall apply to such Bishop for ordination, and shall produce the usual testimonials, as well from the Standing Committee of the Diocese in which he has resided, as from the Committee of the Church in the Diocese for which he is to be ordained.

* For the case of one who has officiated as a minister, or been a licentiate, or student of theology, of another denomination, see Canon VII. of the General Convention of 1838.

APPENDIX.

NO. V.

RULES OF ORDER.

I. At the opening of each Annual Convention, when the President shall have taken the chair, the Secretary shall call over the names of the clergy entitled to seats. The Lay Delegates shall then place their certificates on the Secretary's table; and whenever a constitutional quorum shall be found present, the President shall declare the Convention duly organized.

II. The first business shall be

The election of a Secretary and Treasurer, the former of whom shall have power to appoint an Assistant Secretary.

The appointment of five Standing Committees by the President—

1. On the Incorporation of Churches, one Clergyman and two Laymen.

2. On the Diocesan Fund, two Clergymen and two Laymen, with the Treasurer.

3. On the Treasurer's Report, three Laymen.

4. On the Theological Seminary, two Clergymen and three Laymen.

5. On the Education and Missionary Society, and on the New-York City Mission Society.

III. The daily order of proceedings, after the first day, shall be—

1. The Daily Morning Prayer.

2. Reading and approval of the Minutes.

3. Calling the names of absent members.

4. Reports to be called in the following order:

Committee on Incorporation of Churches;

“ “ Diocesan Fund.

“ “ Treasurer's Report.

“ “ General Theological Seminary.

“ “ The Education and Missionary Society, and New-York City Mission Society.

Trustees of Episcopal Fund.

Special Committees.

5. Miscellaneous Business.

IV. The Bishop's Address shall be at any time in order.

V. When the Report of a Committee is presented, it shall be read, and entered on the minutes, unless otherwise determined by the house. If accompanied with resolutions, the resolutions shall be separately considered.

VI. When a question is before the house, it shall be in order to postpone, divide, amend, or commit; and a motion for any one of these proceedings may be considered, precedence being taken in the order named.

VII. The votes by order, when called, shall be entered on the minutes; and they may be called, whenever desired by five members.

VIII. Before the rising of the Convention, the minutes of the last day's proceedings shall be read and approved.

IX. The election of a Standing Committee and the Delegates to the General Convention shall be the first business after the approval of the minutes, on the second day of meeting. Suitable boxes for balloting shall be provided by the Secretary.

X. On all questions of order, the President shall decide, subject to an appeal to the house.

XI. The hours of each day's session shall be from 9, A. M., until 3, P. M.

XII. No member may speak more than twice on the same question, without leave of the house.

XIII. A question being decided shall not be reconsidered during the same session without the consent of two-thirds of the members present.

XIV. The question of adjournment shall always be in order, and shall be put without debate.

XV. All Special Committees shall be appointed by the Chair.

XVI. Clergymen belonging to this Diocese, but not entitled to seats in this Convention, Clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church not belonging to this Diocese, and Professors and Students of Theology in the Protestant Episcopal Church, shall be admitted to the sittings of the Convention.

APPENDIX.

NO. VI.

COMMITTEES, ETC., OF THE CONVENTION.

STANDING COMMITTEE.

Rev. William Berrian, D. D.	Messrs. Thomas L. Ogden,
Thomas Lyell, D. D.	Floyd Smith,
John M'Vickar, D. D.	Murray Hoffman,
Thomas H. Taylor, D. D.	Gulian C. Verplanck.

DELEGATES TO THE GENERAL CONVENTION.

Rev. Thomas Lyell, D. D.	Messrs. Peter A. Jay,
James Milnor, D. D.	Thomas L. Ogden,
Henry Anthon, D. D.	Stephen Warren,
Francis L. Hawks, D. D.	James Emmott.

SUPPLEMENTAL DELEGATES.

Rev. Manton Eastburn, D. D.	Messrs. Floyd Smith,
John M'Vickar, D. D.	Gulian C. Verplanck,
William Berrian, D. D.	William Johnson,
Lewis P. Bayard, D. D.	Samuel Jones.

TRUSTEES OF THE EPISCOPAL FUND.

Messrs. William H. Harison,	Messrs. Thomas Swords,
William Johnson,	Christopher Wolfe,
Mr. William Bard.	

SPECIAL COMMITTEES.

ON THE RELIEF OF AGED AND INFIRM CLERGYMEN. **Rev. Alon-**

zo Potter, D. D., James Milnor, D. D., Messrs. Peter A. Jay, and Gulian C. Verplanck, and James F. De Peyster, (See pages 52, and 56.)

: ON THE EPISCOPAL RESIDENCE. Messrs. Peter A. Jay, Samuel Jones, and Floyd Smith. (See page 58.)

ON PROCURING A COMPLETE SET OF THE JOURNALS OF THE CONVENTION. The Secretary with Rev. Dr. Taylor, Rev. Lot Jones and Mr. William H. Harison. (See page 60.)

ON THE MISSIONARY OPERATIONS OF THE DIOCESE. Rev. Alonzo Potter, D. D., William L. Johnson, Robert B. Van Kleeck, and Messrs. William H. Harison and Gulian C. Verplanck. (See page 64.)

ON THE CONSTITUTION AND CANONS. Right Rev. Benjamin T. Onderdonk, D. D., Rev. Francis L. Hawks, D. D., Rev. Hugh Smith, D. D., Rev. Lot Jones, and Messrs. Thomas L. Ogden, and Samuel Jones. (See page 68.)

SECRETARY OF THE CONVENTION. Rev. Benjamin I. Haight.

ASSISTANT SECRETARY. Rev. Anthony Ten Broeck.

TREASURER. Mr. Charles N. S. Rowland.

APPENDIX.

No. VII.

STATISTICS OF THE DIOCESE.

(FROM THE EPISCOPAL ADDRESS, THE PAROCHIAL AND MISSIONARY REPORTS, ETC.)

CLERGY,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	191
CONGREGATIONS,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	153
ORDINATIONS, (Priests 17, Deacons 15,)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	32
INSTITUTIONS,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3
CANDIDATES FOR ORDERS, of whom one is an alumnus, and 24 are students of the General Theological Seminary,									49
CHURCHES, Corner-stone laid,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4
Consecrated,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4
BAPTISMS, 86 reports,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	368
102 " " "	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1914
6 " not specified,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	92

2374

TIONS,	-	-	-	-	-	-	1409
s,	84 reports,	-	-	-	-	-	619
	99 "	-	-	-	-	-	1368
ENS, Sunday Scholars, &c.	73 reports,	-	-	-	-	-	7791
rs, or Sunday School Teachers,	47 reports,	-	-	-	-	-	855
ANTS, added as new,	76 reports,	-	-	-	-	-	1065
Whole number,	108 "	-	-	-	-	-	9225

CONTRIBUTIONS.

N AND MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF THE DIOCESE,—							
ation Fund,	55 reports,	-	-	-	-	\$602 04½	
onary Fund,	69 "	-	-	-	-	2403 82	
pecified,	16 "	-	-	-	-	1731 17	4,737 03½
FUND,	44 "	-	-	-	-		426 61
FUND,	49 "	-	-	-	-		426 55½
K BIBLE AND COMMON PRAYER BOOK So-							
	33 reports,	-	-	-	-		872 23
NT EPISCOPAL TRACT SOCIETY,	26 reports,	-	-	-	-		560 76
K PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CITY MISSION							
r,	3 reports	-	-	-	-		400 00
THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY,	21 reports,	-	-	-	-		745 43½
PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL SUNDAY SCHOOL							
	5 reports,	-	-	-	-		142 50
MISSIONS OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL							
IN THE UNITED STATES,—							
astic Committee,	20 reports,	-	-	-	-	3,489 83½	
gn Committee,	15 "	-	-	-	-	2,044 07½	
pecified,	2 "	-	-	-	-	242 54	5,776 45
NEOUS CHURCH PURPOSES,	42 reports,	-	-	-	-		34,061 40
AMOUNT OF CONTRIBUTIONS REPORTED,						\$48,148 97½	

APPENDIX.

No. VIII.

LIST OF CHURCHES IN THE DIOCESE OF NEW-YORK.

Albany county,	Albany,	St. Paul's. St. Peter's. Trinity. St. John's. Trinity. Trinity, with St. Luke Chapel.
	Cohoes, Rensselaerville, West Troy,	
Clinton county,	Plattsburgh,	Trinity.
Columbia county,	Hudson,	Christ.
Delaware county,	Delhi, Hobart, Walton,	St. John's. St. Peter's. Christ.
Dutchess county,	Fishkill, Fishkill Landing, Hyde Park, Lithgow, Pawlings, Pleasant Valley, Poughkeepsie,	Trinity. St. Anna's. St. James'. St. Peter's. St. Peter's. St. Paul's. Christ. St. Paul's. St. Paul's.
	Upper Red Hook, Wappinger's Creek,	Zion.
Essex county,	Ticonderoga,	Church of the Cross
Franklin county,	Malone,	St. Mark's.
Fulton county,	Johnstown,	St. John's.
Greene county,	Athens, Cairo, Catskill, Greeneville, Oak Hill, Windham,	Trinity. Calvary. St. Luke's. Christ. St. Paul's. Trinity.
Herkimer county,	Fairfield, Little Falls, Mohawk, Norway, Brooklyn,	Trinity. Trinity. Emmanuel. St. Luke's. Grace. Christ. St. Ann's. St. John's.
King's county,		

county,	Brooklyn,	St. Mary's. St. Paul's. Trinity. St. Paul's. St. John's. St. Mark's. St. Stephen's. St. Ann's. All Saint's. Annunciation. Ascension. Calvary. Christ. Epiphany, (Mission.) Grace. Holy Evangelists, (M) Nativity. St. Andrew's. St. Bartholomew's. St. Clement's. St. Esprit. St. George's. St. James'. St. Luke's. St. Mark's. St. Mary's. St. Michael's. St. Peter's. St. Philip's, (colored.) St. Stephen's. St. Thomas'. Trinity, with St. Paul's and St. John's Chapels.
county,	Goshen, Newburgh, New Windsor, Walden	Zion. St. James'. St. George's. St. Thomas'. St. Andrew's.
county,	Cherry Valley, Cooperstown, Exeter, Gilbertsville, Louisville, Monticello, Otego. Unadilla, Westford,	Trinity. Christ. St. John's. Christ. Zion. St. Luke's. Immanuel. St. Matthew's. St. Timothy's.

Putnam county,	Cold Spring,	St. Mary's in the High-lands.
	Patterson, Phillipstown,	Christ. St. Philip's in the High-lands.
Queen's county,	Astoria,	St. George's.
	Cold Spring Harbor,	St. John's.
	Flushing,	St. George's.
	Glen Cove,	St. Paul's.
	Hempstead,	St. George's, with Trinity Chapel, Rockaway
	Hempstead Harbor,	St. Mary's.
	Jamaica,	Grace.
	Little Neck,	Zion.
	Manhasset,	Christ.
	Newtown,	St. James'.
Rensselaer county,	Oyster Bay,	Christ.
	Ravenswood,	St. Thomas'.
	Hoosick Falls,	St. Mark's.
	Lansingburgh,	Trinity.
	Troy,	Christ.
		St. John's.
Richmond county,	Richmond,	St. Paul's.
		St. Andrew's, with Trinity Chapel, Factoryville.
Saratoga county,	Tompkinsville,	St. Paul's.
	Ballston Spa,	Christ.
	Charlton,	St. Paul's.
	Mechanicsville,	St. Luke's.
	Milton,	St. James'.
	Saratoga Springs,	Bethesda.
	Stillwater,	St. John's.
	Waterford,	Grace.
	West Charlton,	St. Mary's.
Schenectady county,	Duanesburgh,	Christ.
	Schenectady,	St. George's.
St. Lawrence county,	Canton,	Grace.
	Morristown,	Christ.
	Ogdensburgh,	St. John's.
	Potsdam,	Trinity.
	Waddington,	St. Paul's.
Suffolk county,	Huntington,	St. John's.
	Islip,	St. John's.
	Setauket,	Caroline.
Sullivan county,	Monticello,	St. John's.
Ulster county,	Kingston,	St. John's.

county,	Marlborough,	Christ.
	Ulster,	Trinity.
county,	Glen's Falls,	Church of the Messiah.
gton county,	Granville,	Trinity.
	Hampton,	Christ, with St. Si- mon's Chapel.
	Sandy Hill,	Zion.
	Whitehall,	St. Paul's.
ester county,	Bedford,	St. Matthew's.
	Eastchester,	St. Paul's.
	Greenburgh,	Zion,
	Mamaroneck,	St. Thomas'.
	New Rochelle,	Trinity.
	North Salem,	St. James'.
	Peekskill,	St. Peter's.
	Rye,	Christ.
	Sing Sing,	St. Paul's.
	Somers,	St. Luke's.
	Tarrytown,	Christ.
	Westchester,	St. Paul's.
	Whiteplains,	Grace.
	Yonkers,	St. John's, with a Chap- el at Tuckahoe.
		Total 153.

APPENDIX.

No. IX.

CHURCHES ADMITTED INTO UNION AT THIS CONVENTION.

county,	Albany,	Trinity.
county,	Ticonderoga,	Church of the Cross.
county,	Cold Spring,	St. Mary's, in the Highlands.
	Phillipstown,	St. Philips, in the Highlands.
laer county,	Hoosick Falls,	St. Mark's.
county,	Glenn's Falls,	Church of the Messiah.
		Total 6.

APPENDIX.

No. X.

RULES AND REGULATIONS RESPECTING BENEFICIARIES OF THE EDUCATION BOARD OF THE EDUCATION AND MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF THE DIOCESE.

1. No beneficiary shall be received under 16 years of age, nor until he has been confirmed and become a communicant of the Protestant Episcopal Church.
2. Every applicant must produce a certificate from a Clergyman, stating that he is personally acquainted with said applicant, and believes him to be of established religious and moral character; and has also such confidence in his good dispositions and temper, as to believe him a suitable person to be encouraged for preparation for the holy ministry.
3. Every applicant must produce a certificate from some approved teacher with whom he has studied, stating that his past progress in study has evinced great aptitude for learning, and great industry in application.
4. Every applicant must produce the written consent of his bishop, or if there be no bishop, the ecclesiastical authority of his diocese, to his subscribing a pledge to go through the full course of study in the General Theological Seminary, except he may be excused therefrom by the Education Board; and he shall subscribe such pledge accordingly.
5. Every applicant must lay before the Education Committee a full and satisfactory account of his pecuniary needs and resources, and the said committee shall assign him such an amount of aid, as in their opinion is necessary for his comfortable and proper support during his studies: provided, the said amount shall in no case exceed such sum as may from time to time be fixed by the Education Board as a maximum.
6. No beneficiary of this society shall be allowed to engage in teaching or other employment which may interfere with his undivided attention to study.
7. No married man shall be aided by this Society.
8. Every beneficiary shall report himself to the Education Committee at least once in six months, giving a satisfactory account of his conduct and progress in study.
9. Application for aid must be made to the Education Committee, and the required preliminary documents laid before them, in time to be reported on by them, at a meeting of the Board to be held on the Saturday next preceding the annual meeting of the trustees of the General Theological Seminary*; and the Board cannot engage to render assistance during the year commencing October 1st, to any whose cases have not been favorably acted upon at the above-mentioned meeting.
10. Every beneficiary preparing for the Seminary must pursue his studies in some literary institution, or under some instructor, approved of by the Education Committee.
11. No person or body shall have the right of nominating to a benefice, without engaging to furnish at least two thirds of the amount which the Education Committee shall deem proper for the proposed beneficiary.

* This meeting is held on the day next preceding the fourth Tuesday in June.

APPENDIX.

No. XI.

A TABLE

Showing the name of every Church and Chapel in the Diocese of New York, with the sums contributed by each to the EPISCOPAL, DIOCESAN, EDUCATION, AND MISSIONARY Funds, respectively, for the year 1839-40, in compliance with CANONS 13, 14, and 15, prepared and published by order of the Convention, by the Secretary of the same, with the aid of the Treasurers of the Funds. (See pages 58 and 66.)

Counties.	Churches and Chapels.	Ministers.	Epis- copal.	Dioce- san.	Educa- tion.	Missionary.
Albany,	Albany, St. Paul's,	Rev. W. I. Kip,				
	St. Peter's,	H. Potter, D. D.,	20 00	20 00	37 50	37 50
	Cohoes, St. John's,	C. Stebbins, D. D.,				8 60
	Rensselaerville, Trinity,	{ S. Fuller, O. H. Smith,	1 00	4 00	4 00	27 00
Clinton, Columbia, Delaware,	West Troy, Trinity,	A. T. Twing,				8 75
	Plattsburgh, Trinity,	J. H. Coit,		12 00		20 00
	Hudson, Christ,	I. Pardee,	1 00	6 00	5 00	5 00
	Delhi, St. John's,	T. S. Judd,				3 12
Dutchess,	Robart, St. Peter's,	S. Gilbert,				2 50
	Walton, Christ,	A. Griswold,	1 55	4 50	2 56	10 00
	Fishkill, Trinity,	R. Shaw,	9 12	7 50	8 00	13 56
	Fish Land, St. Anna's,	F. Clarkson,	7 00	12 00	20 00	20 00
Essex,	Hyde Park, St. James',	R. Sherwood, D. D.,	1 25	1 00	5 00	5 00
	Lithgow, St. Peter's,	H. Jelliff,				
	Pawling, St. Paul's,	S. Davis,				
	Pleas. Val., St. Paul's,	J. Read, D. D.,			13 12	27 00
Franklin, Fulton, Greene,	Poughkeepsie, Christ,	F. W. Hatch,				20 00
	Upper Redhook, St. Paul's,	R. Kearny,			*20 00	13 55
	Wappinger's Crk., Zion,	G. B. Andrews,	1 00		1 00	3 68
	Mcconderoga, Church of the Cross,					
Herkimer,	Malene, St. Mark's,	S. Wheaton, D. D.,	2 00	7 50	3 00	20 00
	Johnstown, St. John's,	J. Dowdney, Jr.		3 75	1 00	7 00
	Athens, Trinity,	G. Sayres,	3 00	10 50	1 50	1 00
	Cairo, Calvary,	J. F. Phillips,	1 00	6 00	2 37	30 19
King's,	Catskill, St. Luke's,	O. H. Smith,			*4 37	8 50
	Greenville, Christ,					3 00
	Oak Hill, St. Paul's,	J. Thompson,	2 00	3 00	11 00	11 00
	Windham, Trinity,	O. P. Holcomb,		5 62	6 00	17 50
Montgomery, New York,	Fairfield, Trinity,	W. Baker,				
	Little Falls, Immanuel,	W. S. Bartlett,				
	Mohawk, St. Luke's,	W. Baker,		19 50		158 26
	Norway, Grace,	K. Goddard,		27 00	100 00	110 25
New York,	Brooklyn, Christ,	B. C. Cutler, D. D.				49 00
	St. Ann's,	E. M. Johnson,			5 00	7 12
	St. John's,	J. Hunter,				
	St. Mary's,					
New York,	St. Paul's,	R. C. Shimeall,				
	Trinity,	W. Barlow,				
	Flatbush, St. Paul's,	J. D. Carder,			5 13	4 25
	Fort Hamilton, St. John's,	S. M. Haskins,				
New York,	Williamsburgh, St. Mark's,					
	Fonda, St. Stephen's,				5 00	5 00
	Port Jackson, St. Ann's,		20 00	37 50	75 48	110 00
	New York, All Saints',	B. I. Haight,		15 00		71 39
New York,	Annunciation,	S. Seabury, D. D.,				
	Ascension,	M. Eastburn, D. D.,	3 07	4 03	10 00	23 63
	Calvary,	C. Jones,			19 20	
	Christ,	T. Lyell, D. D., }				
New York,	Epiphany,	I. Peck,				
	Grace,	L. Jones,				
		T. H. Taylor, D. D.,			150 00	300 00

Note. Having on hand a number of copies of the Pastoral Letter, issued by me last year in behalf of the Education and Missionary Society of this Diocese, I have them attached to a part of the edition of this Journal. The state of that Society still demands the awakened attention of the Diocese; while the principles and sentiments contained in the Letter are deemed of permanent interest and importance. I therefore commend it anew to the serious consideration of my brethren of the Clergy and Laity.

BENJAMIN T. ONDERDONK.

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Wednesday, Sept. 29, Feast of St. Michael and All Angels, Thursday, Sept. 30, and Friday, Oct 1.

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Rev. Hiram Adams,
 " Norman H. Adams,
 " Henry Anthon, D. D.,
 " P. Teller Babbit,
 " Deodatus Babcock,
 " William Baker,
 " Lewis P. W. Balch,
 " William Barlow,
 " William S. Bartlett,
 " James R. Bayley,
 " Amos B. Beach,
 " William Berrian,
 " Wm. H. A. Bissell,
 " Robert Bolton,
 " Johnson A. Brayton,
 " John Brown, D. D.
 " John W. Brown,
 " David I. Burger,
 " J. Dixon Carder,
 " William M. Carmichael, D. D.,
 " Peter S. Chauncey,
 " Caleb Clapp,
 " James P. F. Clarke,
 " Freeman Clarkson,
 " Thomas W. Coit, D. D.
 " James W. Cooke,
 " Richard Cox.
 " William Creighton, D. D.,
 " William A. Curtis,
 " Benjamin C. Cutler, D. D.,
 " Edward Davis,
 " Henry M. Davis,
 " Sheldon Davis,
 " John Dowdney,
 " Manton Eastburn, D. D.,
 " Geo. B. Eastman,
 " Benjamin Evans,
 " George W. Fash,
 " Alexander Frazer,
 " Kingston Goddard,
 " Frederick J. Goodwin,
 " Charles W. Hackley,
 " Benjamin I. Haight,
 " Charles H. Halsey,
 " Robert W. Harris,
 " Samuel M. Haskins,
 " Frederick W. Hatch,
 " Francis L. Hawks, D. D.
 " Caleb S. Henry, D. D.,
 " Edward Y. Higbee,

Rev. John Hughes,
 " Joseph Hunter,
 " Evan Malbone Johnson,
 " William L. Johnson,
 " Charles Jones,
 " Lot Jones,
 " Thomas S. Judd,
 " John B. Kerfoot,
 " William I. Kip,
 " William H. Lewis,
 " Thomas Lyell, D. D.,
 " Thomas Mallaby,
 " Moses Marcus,
 " John McVickar, D. D.,
 " Edward N. Mead,
 " James Milnor, D. D.,
 " David Moore, D. D.,
 " William Morris,
 " William A. Muhlenberg, D. D.,
 " Isaac Pardee,
 " Alfred H. Partridge,
 " Isaac Peck,
 " Hewlett R. Peters,
 " Joseph H. Phillips,
 " Alonzo Potter, D. D.,
 " Horatio Potter, D. D.,
 " Jesse Pound,
 " William Powell,
 " Joseph H. Price,
 " Lucius M. Purdy,
 " Albin Kendall Putnam,
 " Joseph Ransom,
 " John Reed, D. D.,
 " James C. Richmond,
 " William Richmond,
 " George Sayres,
 " Charles Seabury,
 " Samuel Seabury, D. D.,
 " Robert Shaw,
 " George A. Shelton
 " Isaac Sherwood,
 " Reuben Sherwood, D. D.,
 " Hugh Smith, D. D.,
 " Orsamus H. Smith,
 " Jesse A. Spencer,
 " John A. Spooner,
 " John S. Stone, D. D.,
 " Henry L. Storrs,
 " Henry W. Sweetzer,
 " Thomas H. Taylor, D. D.,

Rev. William B. Thomas,	Rev. William F. Walker,
" Albert D. Traver,	" William H. Walter,
" Samuel H. Turner, D. D.,	" William Walton,
" Alvi T. Twing,	" John M. Ward,
" Robert B. Van Kleeck,	" Salmon Wheaton, D. D.,
" Antoine Verren,	" Eleazer Williams.
" Jonathan M. Wainwright, D. D.,	

DEACONS.

Rev. John A. Childs,	Rev. Jedediah Huntington, M. D.
" A. Cleveland Coxé,	" Robert Washbon,

Clergy—118.

LAY DELEGATES WHO ATTENDED THE CONVENTION.

ALBANY COUNTY.

ALBANY *St. Peter's Church*, John S. Wendell, James Taylor." *Trinity Church*, Homer R. Phelps.RENSSELAERVILLE, *Trinity Church*, Robert J. Mulford.WEST TROY, *Trinity Church*, with *St. Luke's Chapel*, David B. Jewett.

COLUMBIA COUNTY.

HUDSON, *Christ Church*, Cyrus Curtiss, James Fleming, Jonathan Stott.

DUTCHESS COUNTY.

FISHKILL, *Trinity Church*, Hon. Gulian C. Verplanck.POUGHKEEPSIE, *Christ Church*, Hon. James Emmott, C. Appleton, Homer Wheaton." *St. Paul's Church*, Jacob Bockée, Hubert Van Wag-enen.RED HOOK, *St. Paul's Church*, Clermont Livingston.WAPPINGER'S CREEK, *Zion Church*, Abraham S. Mesier.

GREENE COUNTY.

CATSKILL, *St. Luke's Church*, Charles B. Pinckney.GREENEVILLE, *Christ Church*, Reuben Rundle, Jr.

HERKIMER COUNTY.

LITTLE FALLS, *Emmanuel Church*, Christopher Smith.

KINGS COUNTY.

BROOKLYN, *Calvary Church*, Isaac Peck, Edward Doyle, Darius Wells." *Christ Church*, Nicholas Luquer, Richard M. White." *Emmanuel Church*, John P. Austin." *St. Ann's Church*, Cyrus Bill, Hosea Webster, William B. Cooper." *St. John's Church*, Ezekiel Ostrander, M. D., Losee Van Nostrand, Isaac Odell." *St. Mary's Church*, John Hammel, Benajah Ticknor, M. D., William Bath.FLATBUSH, *St. Paul's Church*, Matthew Clarkson.FORT HAMILTON, *St. John's Church*, Effingham H. Warner, John H. Bennett.WILLIAMSBURGH, *St. Mark's Church*, Ephriam Cooke, Octavius Longworth.

NEW YORK CITY AND COUNTY.

" *All Saints' Church*, James Burges, Thomas S. Underhill, Evan Griffith, Moses Smith." *Church of the Annunciation*, Charles N. S. Rowland, Cornelius Oakley, Henry Ritter, Edward Roome." *Church of the Ascension*, Christopher Wolfe, Herman Le Roy.

NEW YORK CITY AND COUNTY.

- " *Calvary Church*, John H. Currie.
 " *Christ Church*, Samuel B. White, Levi Gardiner.
 " *Grace Church*, Thomas N. Wells, Isaac A. Johnson, Gould Hoyt.
 " *Church du St. Esprit*, John Granger, M. D., Francois Philippon.
 " *Church of the Nativity*, Thomas Alsop, Stafford Wilson, Thomas B. Lippitt, Joseph F. Lippitt.
 " *St. Bartholomew's Church*, Samuel Jones, Stephen Cambreleng, John Q. Aymar, David T. Baldwin.
 " *St. Clement's Church*, Samuel B. Romaine, William S. Popham, J. Remson Onderdonk, John N. Taylor.
 " *St. George's Church*, John Stearns, M. D., Brittain L. Woolley, William Whitlock, Jr., Adolphus Lane.
 " *St. Luke's Church*, Anthony B. McDonald, William Nelson, J. B. Wood, Nicholas G. Ogden.
 " *St. Mark's Church*, John L. Lawrence, Isaac Carow, Gerardus Clark, John W. Mitchell.
 " *St. Michael's Church*, James F. DePeyster, James McDonald, M. D., Michael Yates.
 " *St. Peter's Church*, Clement C. Moore, LL. D., George Coghill.
 " *St. Stephen's Church*, Jacob Aims, William Wilson, M. D.
 " *St. Thomas' Church*, David Hadden, Morris Robinson.
 " *Trinity Church, with St. Paul's and St. John's Chapels*, Nehemiah Rogers, Thomas L. Ogden, William H. Harrison.
 " *Zion Church*, John Heath, Frederick Pentz, Smith Barker.

ORANGE COUNTY.

- NEWBURGH, *St. George's Church*, John A. Wells.
 WALDEN, *St. Andrew's Church*, George Weller.

OTSEGO COUNTY.

- COOPERSTOWN, *Christ Church*, John Russell.
 LOUISVILLE, *Zion Church*, Joseph Peck.
 UNADILLA, *St. Mathew's Church*, Arnold B. Watson.

PUTNAM COUNTY.

- PATTERSON, *Christ Church*, James G. Haight.

QUEENS COUNTY.

- ASTORIA, *St. George's Church*, Robert M. Blackwell, Samuel Brown.
 COLD SPRING HARBOUR, *St. John's Church*, Walter R. Jones.
 FLUSHING, *St. George's Church*, Jehiel Jagger.
 HEMPSTEAD, *St. George's Church, with Trinity Chapel*, ROCKAWAY, Samuel L. Seaman.
 JAMAICA, *Grace Church*, John Skidmore, William Betts.
 NEWTOWN, *St. James' Church*, William K. Newton, Josiah Blackwell, Henry Barclay.

RENSSELAER COUNTY.

- LANSINGBURGH, *Trinity Church*, Alexander Walsh, John Holme.
 TROY, *Christ Church*, William Shepard.
 " *St. John's Church*, Elihu Orvis, H. H. Young, M. D.
 " *St. Paul's Church*, Achille J. Rousseau.

RICHMOND COUNTY.

- RICHMOND, *St. Andrew's Church, with Trinity Chapel*, FACTORYVILLE, James Guyon, James W. Johnson, Henry I. Seaman, Hamilton Britton.

RICHMOND COUNTY.

TOMPKINSVILLE, *St. Paul's Church*, Robert L. Patterson, Archibald Gordon, Albert Ward, William H. Townsend.

SARATOGA COUNTY.

WATERFORD, *Grace Church*, John Knickerbacker, William B. Douglass.

SCHENECTADY COUNTY.

SCHENECTADY, *St. George's Church*, David Hearsey, Thomas Palmer, John Cochran.

SUFFOLK COUNTY.

HUNTINGTON, *St. John's Church*, William C. Stout.

ULSTER COUNTY.

KINGSTON, *St. John's Church*, Henry H. Reynolds.
MARLBOROUGH, *Christ Church*, Leonard S. Carpenter.

WASHINGTON COUNTY.

HAMPTON, *Christ Church, with St. Simon's Chapel*, Henry S. Beman
SANDY HILL, *Zion Church*, A. F. Hitchcock.
WHITEHALL, *St. Paul's Church*, Warren F. Hitchcock.

WESTCHESTER COUNTY.

BEDFORD, *St. Matthew's Church*, Samuel Brown, John Jay.
EASTCHESTER, *St. Paul's Church*, William A. Spencer, Frederick Prime.
GREENBURGH, *Zion Church*, Washington Irving, George Jones.
MANARONECK, *St. Thomas' Church*, Benjamin M. Brown, Garrit Vermilye, Jonathan Purdy.
MORRISANIA, *St. Ann's Church*, Lewis Morris.
NEW ROCHELLE, *Trinity Church*, J. S. W. Parkin, M. D., Jacob LeRoy.
PEEKSKILL, *St. Peter's Church*, Isaac Seymour.
RYE, *Christ Church*, Peter A. Jay, Hackaliah Brown, William Bush.
SING SING, *St. Paul's Church*, John Strang, Samuel C. Nichols, Joseph Hunt, Abraham Heatt.
SOMERS, *St. Luke's Church*, Joshua Purdy.
TARRYTOWN, *Christ Church*, Nathaniel B. Holmes, James Law, M. D.
WESTCHESTER, *St. Peter's Church*, Daniel Snow Smith.
WHITE PLAINS, *Grace Church*, Allen Macdonald.
YONKERS, *St. John's Church, with a Chapel at TUCKAHOE*, William Jones.
Churches and Chapels—88.

The following Clergymen, entitled to seats, were not present at the Convention:—

PRESBYTERS.

Rev. George B. Andrews,
" Joseph H. Coit,
" Palmer Dyer,
" John Murray Forbes,
" Edward K. Fowler,
" Samuel Fuller,
" John M. Garfield,
" Sturges Gilbert.

Rev. Reuben Hubbard,
" Edward Ingersol,
" Ravaud Kearny,
" Thomas C. Reed,
" Daniel Shepard,
" James Thompson,
" Frederick J. Tiffany.

DEACON.

Libertus Van Bokkelin.

The following Clergymen, not members of the Convention, were present at its sittings :—

BISHOPS.

- Right Rev. Philander Chase, D. D., of Illinois.
 " " Benjamin B. Smith, D. D., of Kentucky.

PRESBYTERS.

- Rev. Hobart M. Bartlett,
 " Lawson Carter,
 " William C. Cooley,
 " Abram B. Hart,
 " John F. Messenger,
 " Smith Pyne,
 " John Frederick Schroeder, D. D.
 " Aldert Smedes,
 " John A. Vaughan, D. D.,
 " Nathan W. Monroe, of Vermont.
 " John Blake, D. D., of Massachusetts.
 " Benjamin M. Yarrington, of Connecticut.
 " James A. Bolles,
 " John F. Fish,
 " Lucius Smith,
 " Edmund D. Barry, D. D.,
 " Robert B. Croes,
 " Robert Davies,
 " Robert Davis,
 " George Upfold, D. D.,
 " Samuel C. Davis,
 " Gordon Winslow,
 " Theodore B. Bartow,
 " William D. Cairns,
 " David Brown, of Florida.
 " Francis H. Cuming, of Michigan.
 " Richard S. Adams,
 " James B. Britton,
 " Daniel V. M. Johnson,
 " Andrew H. Cornish,
 " Timothy Minor,
 " Frederick F. Peake, of Missouri.
 " Zechariah H. Goldsmith, of Iowa.
 " Benjamin Eaton, of Texas.

} of New York.

} of Western New York.

} of New Jersey.

} of Pennsylvania.

} of Maryland.

} of Georgia.

} of Indiana.

} of Illinois.

DEACONS.

- " John T. Cushing,
 " Donald Frazer,
 " Orlando Harriman,
 " John S. Kidney,
 " Alfred M. Loutrel,
 " Stephen Patterson,
 " Russell Trevett,
 " Maunsell Van Rensselaer,
 " Charles Aldis of North Carolina.

} of New York.

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OF THE

PROCEEDINGS OF THE CONVENTION.

NEW-YORK, FESTIVAL OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS, SEPT. 29, 1841.

THIS being the day fixed by the Constitution of the Diocese of New York, for the meeting of the Annual Convention of the same, the Rt. Rev. Benjamin Tredwell Onderdonk, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese, with divers of the Clergy and Laity, assembled for divine worship at 10 o'clock, A. M., in St. Paul's Chapel, in the City of New York, the place appointed by the Bishop for the meeting.

Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. Henry L. Storrs, Rector of St. John's Church, Yonkers, assisted by the Rev. Frederick J. Goodwin, Rector of St. George's Church, Flushing, who read the lessons. A charge to the Clergy was delivered by the Bishop, who then admitted Mr. Stephen Patterson and Mr. John S. Kidney to the holy order of Deacons. The Litany was read by the Rt. Rev. Benjamin B. Smith, D. D., Bishop of Kentucky, and the Ante-Communion Service by the Rt. Rev. Philander Chase, D. D., Bishop of Illinois, who together with the Rev. Thomas Lyell, D. D., Rector of Christ Church, New York, assisted the Bishop of the Diocese in the administration of the sacrament of the Lord's Supper.

The Convention was then called to order by the Bishop, who announced the presence of the Rt. Rev. the Bishops of Illinois and Kentucky. Whereupon, on motion, it was

Resolved, That the Rt. Rev. the Bishops of Illinois and Kentucky, be invited to attend the sittings of this Convention, and that chairs be provided for them on the right and left of the Rt. Rev. President.

The Secretary then proceeded, under the Bishop's direction, to call the names of such of the Clergy of the Diocese as by the Constitution are entitled to seats in the Convention, when the following gentlemen answered to their names, and took their seats as members: viz.

Rt. Rev. Benjamin T. Onderdonk, D. D., Rev. Hiram Adams, Norman H. Adams, Henry Anthon, D. D., Pierre T. Babbit, Deodatus Babcock, William Baker, Lewis P. W. Balch, William Barlow, William S. Bartlett, James B. Bayley, Amos B. Beach, William Berrian, D. D., William H. A. Bissell, Robert Bolton, Johnson A. Brayton, John Brown, D. D., John W. Brown, David I. Burger, James Dixon Carder, William M. Carmichael, D. D., Peter S. Chauncey, John A. Childs, Caleb Clapp, James P. F. Clarke, Freeman Clarkson, Thomas W. Coit, D. D., James W. Cooke, Richard Cox, William Creighton, D. D., William A. Curtis, Benjamin C. Cutler, D. D., Edward Davis, Henry M. Davis, Sheldon Davis, John Dowdney, Manton Eastburn, D. D., George B. Eastman, Benjamin Evans, George W. Fash, Alexander Frazer, Kingston Goddard, Frederick J. Goodwin, Charles W. Hackley, Benjamin I. Haight, Charles H. Halsey, Robert W. Harris, Samuel M. Haskins, Frederick W. Hatch, Francis L. Hawks, D. D., Caleb S. Henry, D. D., Edward Y. Higbee, John Hughes, Joseph Hunter, Jedediah Huntington, M. D., Evan M. Johnson, William L. Johnson, Charles Jones, Lot Jones, Thomas S. Judd, John B. Kerfoot, William I. Kip, William H. Lewis, Thomas Lyell, D. D., Thomas Mallaby, Moses Marcus, John McVickar, D. D., Edward N. Mead, James Milnor, D. D., David Moore, D. D., William Morris, William A. Muhlenberg, D. D., Isaac Pardee, Alfred H. Partridge, Isaac Peck, Hewlett R. Peters, Joseph F. Phillips, Alonzo Potter, D. D., Jesse Pound, William Powell, Joseph H. Price, Lucius M. Purdy, Albin K. Putnam, Joseph Ransom, John Reed, D. D., James C. Richmond, William Richmond, George Sayres, Charles Seabury, Samuel Seabury, D. D., Robert Shaw, George A. Shelton, Isaac Sherwood, Reuben Sherwood, D. D., Hugh Smith, D. D., Orsamus H. Smith, Jesse A. Spencer, John A. Spooner, John S. Stone, D. D., Henry L. Storrs, Henry W. Sweetzer, Thomas H. Taylor, D. D., William B. Thomas, Albert D. Traver, Samuel H. Turner, D. D., Alvi T. Twigg, Robert B. Van Kleeck, Antoine Verren, Jonathan M. Wainwright, D. D., William F. Walker, William H. Walter, William Walton, John M. Ward, Robert Washbon, Salmon Wheaton, D. D., Eleazer Williams.

The Parishes of the Diocese were then called in order, when the following gentlemen appeared as Lay Delegates, presented their certificates, and took their seats: viz. from

COUNTIES.	CHURCHES.	DELEGATES.
Albany,	St. Peter's, Albany.	James Taylor,
	Trinity, "	Homer R. Phelps
Columbia,	Christ, Hudson,	Cyrus Curtiss.
		James Fleming.
		Jonathan Stott.
Dutchess,	Trinity, Fishkill,	Hon. Gulian C. Verplanck.
	Christ, Poughkeepsie,	Hon. James Emmott.
		C. Appleton.
		Homer Wheaton.
	St. Paul's, "	Jacob Bockee.
	St. Paul's, Red Hook,	Clermont Livingston.
	Zion, Wappinger's Creek,	Abraham S. Mesier.
Greene,	Christ, Greeneville,	Reuben Rundle, Jr.
Kings,	Christ, Brooklyn,	Nicholas Luquer.
		Richard M. White.
	St. Ann's, "	Cyrus Bill.
		William B. Cooper.
	St. John's, "	Ezekiel Ostrander, M. D.
		Losee VanNostrand.
		Isaac Odell.
	St. Mary's, "	John Hammel.
		William Bath.
	St. Paul's, Flatbush,	Matthew Clarkson.

UNTIES.	CHURCHES.	DELEGATES.
g,	St. John's, Fort Hamilton,	Effingham H. Warner.
	St. Mark's, Williamsburgh,	John H. Bennett.
w York,	All Saint's, New York,	Octavius Longworth.
		James Burges.
		Evan Griffith.
	Annunciation, "	Moses Smith.
		Charles N. S. Rowland.
		Henry Ritter.
	Ascension, "	Edward Roome.
		Christopher Wolfe.
	Calvary, "	Herman LeRoy.
	Christ, "	John H. Currie.
		Samuel B. White.
		Levi Gardiner.
	Grace, "	Isaac A. Johnson.
	Nativity, "	Thomas Alsop.
		Thomas B. Lippitt.
	St. Bartholomew's, "	Hon. Samuel Jones.
		Stephen Cambreling.
		John Q. Aymar.
	St. Clement's, "	David T. Baldwin.
		J. Remsen Onderdonk.
	Du St. Esprit, "	John N. Taylor.
		John Granger, M. D.
	St. George's, "	François Phillipon.
		John Stearns, M. D.
		Brittain L. Woolley.
		William Whitlock, Jr.
		Adolphus Lane.
	St. Luke's, "	Anthony B. McDonald.
		William Nelson.
		J. B. Wood.
	St. Mark's, "	Nicholas G. Ogden.
		John L. Lawrence.
		Gerardus Clark.
	St. Michael's, "	John W. Mitchell.
		James F. DePeyster.
		James McDonald, M. D.
		Michael Yates.
	St. Peter's, "	Clement C. Moore, LL. D.
		George Coggill.
	St. Stephen's, "	Jacob Aims.
		William Wilson, M. D.
	St. Thomas' "	David Hadden.
		Morris Robinson.
	Trinity, "	Nehemiah Rogers.
		Thomas L. Ogden.
		William H. Harison.
	Zion, "	John Heath.
		Frederick Pentz.
		Smith Barker.
ange,	St. Andrew's, Walden,	George Weller.
sego,	Zion, Louisville,	Joseph Peck.
itnam,	Christ, Patterson,	James G. Haight.
icens,	St. George's, Astoria,	Robert M. Blackwell.
		Samuel Brown.
	St. George's, Hempstead,	Samuel L. Seaman.
	Grace, Jamaica,	John Skidmore.
		William Betts.
	St. James', Newtown,	Henry Barclay.

COUNTIES.	CHURCHES.	DELEGATES.
Rensselaer,	Trinity, Lansingburgh,	Alexander Walsh. John Holme.
	Christ, Troy,	William Shepard.
	St. John's, "	Elihu Orvis.
Richmond,	St. Andrew's, Richmond,	James W. Johnston.
		Henry I. Seaman.
	St. Paul's, Tompkinsville,	Hamilton Britton.
		Archibald Gordon.
Saratoga,	Grace, Waterford,	William H. Townsend.
		John Knickerbacker.
Schepectady,	St. George's, Schenectady,	William B. Douglass.
		David Hearsey.
		John Cochran.
Suffolk,	St. John's, Huntington,	W. C. Stout.
Ulster,	St. John's, Kingston,	Henry H. Reynolds.
Washington,	Zion, Sandy Hill,	A. F. Hitchcock.
	St. Paul's, Whitehall,	Warren F. Hitchcock.
Westchester,	St. Matthew's, Bedford,	Samuel Brown.
	St. Paul's, Eastchester,	Frederick Prime.
	Zion, Greenburgh,	George Jones.
	St. Thomas', Mamaroneck,	Benjamin M. Brown.
		Jonathan Purdy.
	Trinity, New Rochelle,	J. S. W. Parkin, M. D.
		Jacob Le Roy.
	St. Peter's, Peekskill,	Isaac Seymour.
	Christ, Rye,	Peter A. Jay.
		Hackaliah Brown.
		Josiah Buckley.
	St. Paul's, Sing Sing,	John Strang.
		Samuel C. Nichols.
		Joseph Hunt.
		Abraham Heartt.
	Christ, Tarrytown,	Nathaniel B. Holmes.
	St. Peter's, Westchester,	Daniel Snow Smith.
	Grace, White Plains,	Allen Macdonald.
	St. John's, Yonkers,	William Jones.

The Convention then proceeded, pursuant to Art. VI. of the Constitution, and the first Rule of Order, to the appointment of a Secretary and a Treasurer. On counting the ballots, the Rev. Benjamin I. Haight was declared to be elected Secretary, and Mr. Charles N. S. Rowland, Treasurer.

The Secretary announced to the Convention that he had appointed the Rev. J. Dixon Carder his Assistant, the Rev. Mr. Ten Broeck, the former Assistant, having removed from the Diocese.

On motion of William H. Harison, Esq., the substitute for the 9th Rule of Order, which was laid over for consideration at the last Convention, was taken up and referred to a Committee of three, to report thereon to-morrow morning. The Committee consisted of William H. Harison, Esq., Rev. Dr. Milnor, and William H. Harison, Esq., and they reported as follows:

The Bishop then announced the following standing Committees :

ON THE INCORPORATION OF CHURCHES.

Hon. Samuel Jones, Rev. William L. Johnson, William Betts, Esq.

ON THE DIOCESAN FUND.

Rev. Orsamus H. Smith, Rev. William Richmond, William H. Harison, and John Knickerbacker, Esqs., together with the Treasurer.

ON THE TREASURER'S REPORT.

Stephen Cambreleng and John Holme, Esqrs., and John Stearns, L. D.

ON THE THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

Rev. Drs. Creighton and Brown, William H. Harison, James Arges, and Benjamin M. Brown, Esqrs.

ON THE EDUCATION AND MISSIONARY SOCIETY, AND THE NEW YORK CITY MISSION SOCIETY.

Rev. Dr. Sherwood and Rev. Messrs. Hatch and VanKleeck, r. Stearns and Alexander Walsh, Esq.

On motion, Resolved, That the present Trustees of the General Theological Seminary, representing this Diocese, who are all resident therein and willing to serve, be continued in office ; and that the Standing Committee on the Theological Seminary report the names of other suitable persons, to the number allowed by the Constitution of the Seminary, to be elected for nomination at the approaching General Convention, as Trustees of the Seminary on the part of this Diocese.

The Bishop announced that by the 16th Rule of Order, Clergymen belonging to this Diocese, but not entitled to seats in the Convention, Clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church not belonging to this Diocese, and Professors and Students of Theology in the Protestant Episcopal Church, were admitted to the sittings of the Convention.

Accordingly several gentlemen bowed in their names to the Secretary, and took their seats.

The Convention then adjourned until to-morrow morning, at 9 o'clock.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 30TH, 9 O'CLOCK, A. M.

The Convention met pursuant to adjournment. Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. Horatio Potter, D. D., Rector of St. Peter's Church, Albany; the Rev. Pierre Teller Babbit, Rector of Christ Church, Hudson, reading the lessons. After which the Bishop took the chair.

At the calling of the roll, the following Clergymen not present yesterday, answered to their names, viz.,

Rev. Norman H. Adams,	Rev. Benjamin C. Cutler, D. D.
" Thomas S. Judd,	" Thomas Mallaby,
" Alonzo Potter, D. D.,	" Reuben Sherwood, D. D.,
John S. Stone, D. D.	

Also the following Lay Delegates.

COUNTIES.	CHURCHES.	DELEGATES.
Greene,	St. Luke's, Catskill,	Charles B. Pinckney.
Kings,	St. Ann's, Brooklyn,	Hosea Webster.
New York,	All Saints', New York,	Thomas S. Underhill.
	Grace, "	Goold Hoyt.
	Nativity, "	Stafford Wilson.
	St. Clement's, "	Joseph F. Lippitt.
		Samuel B. Romaine.
		William S. Popham.
	St. Mark's, "	Isaac Carow.
Rensselaer,	St. John's, Troy,	H. H. Young, M. D.
Richmond,	St. Paul's, Tompkinsville,	Albert Ward.
		Robert L. Patterson.
Schenectady,	St. George's Schenectady,	Thomas Palmer.
Westchester,	St. Matthew's, Bedford,	John Jay.
	Zion, Greenburgh,	Washington Irving.

The following gentlemen then presented certificates, answered to their names, and took their seats.

COUNTIES.	CHURCHES.	DELEGATES.
Alban,	Trinity, Rensselaerville,	Robert T. Mulford.
	Trinity Chapel, West Troy,	David B. Jewett.
Dutchess,	St. Paul's, Poughkeepsie,	Hubert Van Wagenen.
Herkimer,	Emmanuel, Little Falls,	Christopher Smith.
Orange,	St. George's, Newburgh,	John A. Wells.
Otsego,	Christ, Cooperstown,	John Russell.
Queens,	S. George's, Flushing,	Jehiel Jaggard.
Rensselaer,	St. Paul's, Troy,	Achille J. Rousseau.
Ulster,	Chris. Marlborough,	Leonard S. Carpenter.
Washington,	Christ, Rampton,	Henry S. Beman.
Westchester,	St. Luke's, Somers,	Joshua Purdy.

The minutes of yesterday's session were read and approved.

The Secretary stated to the Convention, that in the case of Mr. William C. Carter, who had presented a certificate from the

of the Vestry of the Church of the Messiah, Glen's Falls, having been elected as a delegate to this Convention, at a meeting of the Vestry held on the 10th of September, certificates were handed in from the Rector and senior Warden, stating that no Vestry Meeting or Parish Meeting had been held since the last week, and that in consequence of this he was doubtful of the insertion of Mr. Carter's name on the roll.

Upon this subject, it was moved that Mr. William C. Carter is entitled to be seated in this Convention. An amendment was proposed, that the subject be referred to a Special Committee. This amendment was adopted, and the Rev. Horatio Potter, D. D., William H. Harrison, D. D., the Rev. Henry M. Davis, Hon. James Emmott, and William H. Harrison, Esq., were appointed said Committee.

The 9th Rule of Order was then, on motion, suspended, in order to receive the Report of the Committee on the Incorporation of Churches.

REPORT.

The Committee to which were referred the certificates of Incorporation of Churches desiring to be admitted into Union with the Convention, respectfully

report that they have examined the certificates submitted to them, and find the same correct, and that the following Churches have been regularly incorporated according to law, viz :

Calvary Church in the City of Brooklyn.
Church of the Covenant in the Town of Moriah, County of Essex ; and
St. Ann's Church of Morrisania, County of Westchester.

All which is respectfully submitted,

S. JONES.
WILLIAM L. JOHNSON.
WILLIAM BETTS.

New York, September 30, 1841.

On the question being put separately upon the admission into the Union with the Convention of each of the Churches reported by the Committee to be regularly incorporated, they were received by the Convention, and the following Clergy and Lay Delegates were seated and took their seats, viz.,

Rev. William H. Lewis, Rector of Calvary Church, Brooklyn, and the Rev. Cleveland Coxe, Rector of St. Ann's Church, Morrisania,

TIES.	CHURCHES.	DELEGATES.
Brooklyn,	Calvary, Brooklyn,	John T. Newton. Edward Doyle.
Westchester,	St. Ann's, Morrisania,	Darius Wells. Lewis Morris.

Bishop then delivered his ANNUAL ADDRESS.*

Appendix I.

The Bishop presented the following Communication from the Board of Managers of the Education and Missionary Society of the Diocese.

COMMUNICATION.

To The Rt. Rev. BENJAMIN T. ONDERDONK, D. D.,
President of the Convention of the Diocese of New York. }

RT. REV. AND DEAR SIR :—

Under the instruction of the Board of Managers of the Education and Missionary Society of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of New York, given at their meeting held in the City of New York, on Monday, 27th September instant, I have the honor to communicate the within Preamble and Resolution, then adopted by that Board, and respectfully request that you will lay the same before the Convention at its present Session.

I am, very respectfully,

G. G. VAN WAGENEN, *Rec. Sec'y.*

New York, Sept. 29th, 1841.

At a Meeting of the Board of Managers of the Education and Missionary Society of the Diocese of New York, held at the Sunday-School Room of St. John's Chapel, on the 27th September, A. D. 1841, the following Preamble and Resolutions were adopted :

Whereas, The Treasurer, in consequence of his total inability to meet the present demands upon the Treasury, or any considerable part thereof, in full, has requested the advice and instructions of this Board as to the principle which shall govern him in paying out the small balance on hand, in reference to the whole of the indebtedness,—And whereas the Board does not consider it within its province to give such advice and instruction, but being the organ of the Convention of the Diocese, deems it more proper that the subject be referred to that body for its direction, Therefore

Resolved, That it be referred to the Convention of this Diocese at its approaching meeting, to give such advice and instructions in the premises as the Convention may deem proper.

It is further

Resolved, That the Secretary be instructed to communicate to the Convention an attested copy of the above Preamble and Resolution.

(Extract from the Minutes.)

(Attest)

G. G. VAN WAGENEN, *Rec. Sec'y.*

The Committee on the proposed substitute for the 9th Rule of Order presented their Report recommending an Amended Rule. On motion of the Rev. A. Potter, D. D., the following substitute was adopted.

" IX. There shall be appointed by the Chair three persons to act as Inspectors of Election ; and on the second day of the Convention, at 2 P. M., the polls shall be open to receive votes for Delegates and supplemental Delegates to the General Convention, both being voted for on the same ballot, and also for the Standing Committee of this Diocese. The polls shall be kept

open one hour, and the Inspectors shall keep poll-lists. The votes shall be canvassed during the recess of the Convention, and the result shall be reported by the Inspectors at the opening of its next Session, specifying how many votes have been cast, and how many for each person. If it shall be found that no election has taken place, the Convention shall then determine when the next trial shall be held, and how long the poll shall then be kept open. Two suitable boxes for each order shall be provided, in one of which shall be deposited the votes for the members of the Standing Committee, and in the other the votes for the Delegates to the General Convention."

Emmanuel Church, Brooklyn, was, on the Report of the Committee on the Incorporation of Churches, received into union with the Convention; whereupon the Rev. Kingston Goddard, Rector of the same, and Mr. John P. Austin, a Lay Delegate therefrom, took their seats.

The Standing Committee on the Treasurer's Report submitted the same audited as follows.

REPORT.

*The Convention of the Diocese of New-York, in account current with
C. N. S. Rowland, Treasurer.*

		DR.	
October 1, 1840.	To Cash paid to the Rev. Clergy for mileage,	- - -	\$490 70
"	James Van Norden, bill for printing Circulars,	- - -	8
"	H. Hanford, bill for printing Amendments of Canons,	- - -	4
"	General Protestant Episcopal Sunday School Union, bill, printing Journal 56th Convention,	- - -	237 95
"	Rev. Isaac Garvin, his Expenses attending Trial of Rev. Mr. Northrop, 1837-38,	- - -	20
"	W. C. Bryant, bill, advertising in Evening Post, 25th Sept. 1840,	- - -	1 50
"	J. K. Herrick, bill for Stationary,	- - -	19 50
"	Proprietor of American, bill, for advertising, 25th Sept., 1840,	- - -	1 75
"	William R. Taylor, bill, for copying Journals of Convention, 1796 and 1797,	- - -	4
"	Charles A. Focke, bill, for binding Journals of Convention,	- - -	14 37
"	Proprietor of American, bill, for advertising, 7th Sept., 1841,	- - -	1 75
"	William Q. Bryant, bill, for advertising in Evening Post, 7th Sept., 1841,	- - -	2 60
"	Balance of Diocesan Fund,	- - -	257 26
			<hr/> 1,063 47

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ash paid William H. Harrison, Esq., Treasurer of Episcopal Fund,	Brought forward	\$1,063 47
" C. N. S. Rowland, Treasurer of Education Fund,		192 48
" C. N. S. Rowland, Treasurer of Missionary Fund,	221 60	
	556 75	778 35
		<u>\$2,034 30</u>

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Balance of Diocesan Fund, pr. Report,			1,063 47
Cash received from 72 Parishes for Diocesan Fund,	994 45		192 48
" " " 38 parishes for Episcopal Fund,			221 60
" " " 27 parishes for Education Fund,			556 75
" " " 31 parishes for Missionary Fund,			<u>\$2,034 30</u>

C. N. S. ROWLAND, Treasurer.

E. E.
New-York, 28th September, 1841.

The Standing Committee to whom was referred the Treasurer's accounts, respectfully report, that they have examined the same, and carefully compared them with the vouchers, and found them correct—leaving a balance of \$257 57 in the hands of the Treasurer.

S. CAMBRELING.
JOHN HOLME.
JOHN STEARNS. } Committee.

The Trustees of the Episcopal Fund presented the following REPORT.

The Trustees of the Fund for the support of the Episcopate in the Diocese of New York, respectfully report,
That agreeably to their Report of 29th September, 1840, the fund amounted to the sum of \$67,904 7
The interest of which was applicable to the support of the Bishop, viz. 67,500 00
Bonds and mortgages of real estate,
Surplus of interest thereon computed to 1st October, 1840, over the sum then advanced by the Treasurer in anticipation, and the remainder of the Bishop's salary for that year, which was payable on that day, 404 76
\$67,904 76

The following sums have been since paid out of and in anticipation of receipts of the disposable income; viz.
Sum the Treasurer had advanced at date of last report, 748 98
To the Bishop, one year's salary, 6,300 00
For one year's insurance of Episcopal residence, 24 00
—

Carried forward,

\$7

Brought forward,	\$7,072 98
For certified copy of the Act of the Legislature, confirming the trusts of the Episcopal residence,	50

Total payments,	7,073 48
And the following sums have been received:	
viz. From Trinity Church, New York, the sum voted in aid of the income of the fund for the year	

1840-41,	1,600 00
For interest,	4,725 00

Total receipts,	6,325 00
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Balance due to the Treasurer from the disposable fund,]	\$748 48
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The fund, the interest of which is applicable to the support of the Bishop, consists of

Bonds and mortgages as in last year's report,	67,500 00
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And the unpaid interest thereon, computed to 1st October, 1841,	1,653 74
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Less the above balance due to the Treasurer,	748 48
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And the instalment of the Bishop's salary, which is payable on that day,	500 00
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1,248 48	405 28
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Total,	\$67,905 28
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The fund for *accumulation*, in accordance with the arrangement with Trinity Church, consists of

A certificate of deposit of the New York Life Insurance and Trust Company, No. 1881, dated 13th October, 1840, bearing five per cent. interest,	893 31
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One year's interest thereon,	44 66
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Cash in the hands of the Treasurer, being contributions received since the deposit was made,	80 46
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Total,	\$1,018 43
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The following *contributions* have been received since the last Report, besides those contained in the Table appended to the printed Journals of the last Convention; viz.

From St. Peter's Church, Peekskill,	\$1 50
St. Stephen's " New York,	9 00
St. George's " Goshen,	12 25
St. George's " New York,	36 68
St. John's " Fort Hamilton,	1 03
St. George's " Newburgh,	17 00

The whole sum contributed for the year 1839-40, was \$484 86, by fifty-two churches and Chapels.

All which is respectfully submitted,

WM. H. HARRISON, *Treas.*

WM. JOHNSON.

CHRIS. WOLFE.

THOMAS SWORDS.

WM. BARD.

} Trustees.

New-York, 28th Sept., 1841.

The Rev. Dr. Anthon submitted a series of resolutions relating to the relief of superannuated and infirm Clergymen, which, at his request, were referred to the Committee of the last convention on this subject.

The Communication of the Education and Missionary Society was, on motion, referred to the Committee of the last Convention on the Missionary Operations of the Diocese.

On motion of Rev. Dr. M'Vickar,

Resolved, That so much of the Bishop's Address as relates to the last clause of the first Section of the 16th Canon of this Diocese, be referred to a Special Committee.

Rev. Dr. M'Vickar, T. L. Ogden, Esq., and Hon. Samuel Jones were appointed the Committee.

The following Communication from the Secretary was read.

COMMUNICATION.

The undersigned, as Secretary of the last Convention of the Diocese, begs leave to report, that in accordance with the instructions of the Convention, one thousand copies of the Journal were printed. It was published by the close of November, and immediately distributed. Nearly the whole edition was speedily exhausted, and he respectfully submits whether a larger number should not henceforth be printed.

As instructed by the Convention, acting with the advice and sanction of the Committee appointed for the purpose, he endeavored to procure a complete set of the Journals from the organization of the Diocese. Through the kindness of several friends of the Church, he succeeded in obtaining one such set, which consists of the original printed Journals, with two exceptions, viz. for the years 1796 and 1797, which were transcribed, it being impossible, after a long and diligent search, to procure the printed copies. Four other sets have been obtained, all complete from the year 1804. To render these more valuable for reference, in case of the loss or destruction of the set just referred to, the undersigned prepared and caused to be printed an abstract of the previous Journals, containing all the most important matters, which is prefixed to the volumes. Of these sets, one has been deposited with the Bishop of the Diocese, one in the Library of the General Theological Seminary, one in the New York Society Library, and one with the Secretary. The complete set has been kept in a fire-proof safe. To the following persons the Secretary is indebted for much valuable aid in the accomplishment of this measure: the Rev. Drs. M'Vickar, Coit, Proal and Upfold; the Rev. Messrs. H. Adams and Ballard; the Hon. G. C. Verplanck, and Peter A. Jay, Thomas L. Ogden, William Johnson, William H. Harrison, Thomas N. Stanford, Henry G. Hubbard, and N. B. Holmes, Esqrs.

The Secretary further reports, that in obedience to the instructions of the Convention, he has caused the minutes of the last Convention to be transcribed into a suitable book of Record, prefixing the minutes of the preceding Convention, in order that the series might commence from the division of the Diocese. The Journals of other Dioceses which have been forwarded to this Diocese, have been bound, as directed. As yet, however, there is no permanent safe place of deposit for these and similar documents, a point to which the undersigned would respectfully solicit the attention of the Convention.

The subject of the republication of the Journals will be brought before Convention in the Report of the Committee appointed to take it into consideration.

All which is respectfully submitted,

BENJAMIN I. HAIGHT, Sec'y.

The Committee of the last Convention on the reprinting of the Journals of the Convention, presented the following

REPORT.

The Committee appointed at the last Annual Convention to inquire into the expediency of causing to be reprinted, at the expense of this Convention, all or any of the past Journals, beg leave respectfully to recommend the following resolutions.

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to republish the Journals of the Convention, at the expense of the Convention, or to have the early Journals transcribed.

Resolved, That 500 copies of the Journals of the Conventions previous to the division of the Diocese, be published, by subscription, if possible.

Resolved, That a subscription be immediately opened under the direction of the Secretary, and that the Convention subscribe for fifty copies.

All which is respectfully submitted.

THOMAS HOUSE TAYLOR.
LOT JONES.
WILLIAM H. HARRISON.

The resolutions proposed by the Committee were adopted.

The Committee on the Missionary operations of the Diocese presented the following

REPORT.

The Committee appointed at the last Convention to take into consideration the Missionary Operations of this Diocese, beg leave to report,

That in 1832 the Education and Missionary Society of this Diocese was recognized, by a formal act of the Convention, as its agent in prosecuting the work of Missions, and aiding indigent young men in their preparations for the ministry. Two years afterwards, an annual contribution to both branches of this Society was made obligatory by canon upon every congregation in the Diocese. It is much to be regretted that after this solemn action of the Convention, pledging the aid of the Churches in the Diocese to the Society, it should have been reduced, *three times in the course of nine years*, to the humiliating necessity of appearing before the public as greatly in debt to its treasurer, and of resorting to those extraordinary appeals to commiseration which are rarely received with favor, and can never be repeated with safety. At the time of the assembling of the last Convention, the affairs of the society appeared to have reached an alarming crisis, and this body was earnestly invoked by the board to take some effectual measures to secure for its operations a more prompt and regular support. In obedience to this call, your Committee was appointed, and four resolutions were adopted, lamenting the delinquency of the Congregations, and asking "most earnestly that the *special and instant attention of each clergyman and each congregation* may be given to the subject." It was also solemnly "resolved, that this convention are deeply sensible of the zeal and fidelity with which, in circumstances of great difficulty and discouragement, the Managers of the Society have hitherto conducted its affairs, and that they be exhorted to persevere in their laudable exertions—the members of this Convention pledging to the Society their hearty co-operation in promoting the great ends of its establishment."—It is hardly to be credited that, after this unreserved expression of confidence in the Managers, this exhortation to perseverance, and this deliberate pledge of hearty co-operation on the part of the Convention, two-thirds of the current year elapsed before so many as thirty congregations out of one

hundred and fifty had made any contribution to either branch of the Society, while but six had contributed to both branches.

The delinquency of the congregations, however, consists not so much in the omission to make any contribution at all, (though in this respect there is serious delinquency,) as in omitting to make it in season to enable the Society to meet its engagements. It should be remembered that the Society commences each current year with an empty treasury—that the drafts of its missionaries come in quarterly to the amount of \$1,500 to \$2,000, and that unless there are corresponding receipts throughout the year, the Treasurer must not only be in advance of his means, but the Board must be in painful doubts respecting the propriety of continuing existing grants, and of making new ones. These doubts are justified by the fact that the number and amount of the contributions made from year to year have been very unequal.

To your Committee it appears to be a defect in the XVth Canon, that no return is required from the congregation in respect to their contributions, *till the close of the year*. The natural and usual effect of this provision is, that the collection is postponed till a short time previous to the convention—thus leaving the Board in uncertainty as to its means, and suffering the claims of the Missionary cause to pass in some cases through a large portion of the year without notice or discussion in a parish.—So far as the transaction of the business of the Society is concerned, this evil will be in a great measure corrected if the Canon were so altered as to make it obligatory on each congregation, either to make four contributions annually, one in each quarter corresponding to the quarterly payments of the Missionaries, or else to make its one annual contribution *previous to Easter-Day in each year*. Such alteration they would accordingly recommend to the consideration of this Convention.

It is not believed, however, that the root of this evil can be effectually reached by mere legislation. Notwithstanding the XVth Canon which makes an annual contribution imperative on every congregation, no such contribution was made by at least one-third of the churches during the year ending October, 1840, and in some years the proportion of delinquent parishes has been considerably greater. It is worthy of consideration that Canons of this kind are usually adopted without discussion, and that they can hardly be regarded as exponents of the feelings of those who have rather witnessed than participated in their adoption; while some may doubt the competency of the Convention to pass laws prescribing to individual congregations the direction in which their charities shall flow, a still greater number connected with small congregations which are already embarrassed with debt or with the weight of their parish expenses, conscientiously doubt the expediency of giving a barely nominal obedience to a Canon which is regarded by their people as unjustly onerous, and when, too, such obedience might tend in their estimation to discourage and stifle that *spirit* which it is one great object of the Canon to promote. To cherish among our people the principles and practice of an enlarged and enlightened benevolence is an end of contributions like these,—not less important, certainly, than to provide for the present support of our missionaries. It is hardly necessary to remind the Convention that such a benevolence can be fostered only by free-will offerings, and that money given grudgingly can do little good to the hand or the heart that doles it out. Were it in the power of this Convention by the mere fiat of law to wring hundreds of thousands annually from a reluctant people for the support of Christian Missions, your Committee would be slow to recommend that that power should be asserted. Such a tribute would be unworthy the altar of Him who, though he was rich, yet for our sakes gladly became poor, that we through his poverty might be rich.

When your Committee look over this Diocese, with its *one hundred and fifty* congregations and parochial clergymen, and its *ten thousand* communicants, and when they consider that twelve cents contributed monthly, or three cents weekly by each of these communicants, would form a sum equal to all that is now given by the Diocese to the cause of Missions and Ministerial Education, whether at home or abroad,—as well as for the dissemination of Bibles, Prayer-Books and Tracts—and when they reflect, too, how readily these communicants part with *their money* for other purposes, and how liberally they contribute in many in-

stances towards the support of their own parishes, they cannot persuade themselves that it will be found difficult, much less impossible, to provide the means for the proper support of our benevolent institutions. What in their estimation is most needed, is a uniform system of operations, to be adopted with a cordial good will throughout the Diocese. In venturing to offer some hints in relation to such a system, the Committee are well aware of the difficulty of the task, and they present them with no other desire than that they may receive the candid consideration of the Convention—that the plan best adapted to the end in view, and most likely to unite the suffrages of all, may be finally adopted, and that when adopted it may receive a full and fair trial at the hands of the clergy and people.

It may be proper to remark here, that in addition to Missions (Diocesan and General,) there are several other objects in behalf of which the congregations of this Diocese are either required or recommended to make annual contributions—objects, however, so intimately connected with Missions that they may all be considered as parts of the great enterprise of propagating the gospel, and as entitled, therefore, to a place in any plan which contemplates the increased efficiency of that enterprise. The members of the Convention are already aware that these objects are ten in number—that annual collections in aid of four of them are made obligatory on every parish by Canon, and that similar collections in behalf of the remainder are earnestly recommended by the Bishop, and in two or three cases, also, by the General Convention. It is proposed, then, to inquire by what means an enlightened and liberal Christian interest can be awakened in regard to these objects, and in what way regular and adequate contributions in money can be secured.

There are certain first principles in regard to Christian benevolence which are nearly self-evident, but to which we ought to have constant reference, if we would construct a judicious system of operations. These are—

1.—That real Christian benevolence is not to be elicited on the one hand by the mere authority of law, nor on the other by occasional appeals and exhortations, however powerful or animating.

2.—That it is the gift of the Spirit of God in answer to humble prayer, coupled with appropriate effort.

3.—That this appropriate effort consists in repeated acts of beneficence, performed in view of apprehended truths and obligations, and continued until both the acts and corresponding dispositions of mind ripen into habits.

4.—That it becomes therefore all important that reasonings calculated to convince the judgment, and facts fitted to awaken the benevolent feelings be frequently presented to every Christian congregation, and that this presentation of truth be accompanied in each case with prayer, and with an opportunity to practice the duty inculcated.

5.—That the benevolent habits here referred to, will be formed easily and with less alloy of evil in proportion as they are commenced early in life.

If these principles are just—and that they are, will not, it is to be presumed, be questioned—then it would seem to follow by unavoidable inference—

1.—That *stated* and *frequent* opportunities should be afforded to every congregation in the Diocese to contribute towards the propagation of the gospel—this opportunity being accompanied with a brief statement of the nature and importance of this work in which the Church is engaged, with such facts as may be likely to awaken interest, and also with a kind intimation that as God loves a cheerful giver, and since to be a fellow laborer with Christ in the redemption of mankind, is a privilege rather than a hardship, none but free-will offerings are asked. In choosing between the various plans of systematic charity, your Committee have been led by the experience of other Dioceses, and of congregations in our own, as well as by the fact that *ten* annual collections for other than parochial purposes are now required or recommended, to the conclusion that the collections ought to be *monthly*, after morning or evening prayer, being immediately preceded by a brief and not importunate address, setting forth generally or specially, the objects of said collection. It has been suggested—and the suggestion appears worthy of much consideration—that the offertory at the Communion does not now command the attention and interest to which it is entitled, and

that it might be wise to convert it into a monthly offering for the propagation of the Gospel, as well as for the relief of the poor of the parish.

2.—From the same principles it also follows, in the estimation of your Committee, that frequent occasion ought to be taken in Christian families, in Sunday Schools, and in Catechetical or Bible Classes, to inculcate upon the young the duty and privilege of contributing both their prayers and their pecuniary offerings to the support of the Church in her efforts to evangelize the world, and that such instructions ought to be connected with the *practical exercise* of the principles inculcated.

3.—As all enlightened and efficient action must be founded on a clear and vivid apprehension of truth, and be sustained as well as originated by the Divine Spirit, it seems expedient to your Committee that periods should be set apart for the communication of Religious Intelligence, and for such devotional exercises as may be afforded by the Liturgy, or provided by the Bishop. It would add greatly to the interest of such meetings if they should be so arranged among neighboring parishes that the clergy of such parishes should be able to afford to each other, and to their congregations in succession, the benefits of their joint presence and co-operation.

4.—Inasmuch as every congregation contains persons, especially females, who are not able to make direct contributions of considerable sums of money, but who would gladly aid this cause by their industry and influence—and since such personal and co-operative efforts tend much to the cultivation of benevolent affections, and have resulted in many instances in this Diocese in great good, your Committee believe that parochial associations, formed with such views, and placed under the direction of the Rector or Minister, are likely to prove most important auxiliaries in this work, and are entitled to the favorable consideration of the Convention.

Thus far your Committee have confined themselves to such recommendations as can be entertained by this Convention without conference with the Managers of the Education and Missionary Society, and as will be likely, if followed out, to develop and increase the liberality of our congregations. They cannot, however, close their report without suggesting, that in order to command that steady and zealous support on the part of the Churches and throughout the Diocese which they desire, the Managers of this Society will probably find it necessary, at no distant day, to reorganize the Missionary system of the Diocese. There is a growing, and, as your Committee believe, a well-founded conviction that it is not expedient to continue Missionary allowances to the same station for so long a period as is now customary. The Missionary laborers of the Church, whether within or without the Diocese, contemplate the *extension* of its borders and usefulness by planting new congregations at important points not yet occupied, and which in this active age are constantly starting up to claim attention. Congregations once established and supplied with a house of worship, ought to be *self-supporting*—and if the resources of one are not adequate to this end, two or more ought to be united to form a cure. It is stated to your Committee on responsible authority, that but one congregation in this Diocese ever voluntarily relinquished the Missionary stipend when once it had been allowed. This fact is not to be accounted for in every case by inability, but must be attributed to the absence of a proper spirit of self-reliance; and it proves, in the opinion of your Committee, the necessity of prescribing a term of time beyond which the allowance shall in no case be continued. In regard to the Stations to which Missionary aid is now extended, it is believed that within the next four years arrangements may be made by each one—relying on its own means, or uniting with another congregation—to supply itself with clerical services, and to enable the society to transfer to other fields of labor, its funds. They would accordingly recommend the passage by this body of a resolution advising such a measure, due notice thereof being communicated to the congregations interested.

There is another measure which seems also to be required by the emergencies of the Church, and by the feelings of its members. Large Districts exist within this Diocese, where our services are hardly known, but where they might be easily introduced and firmly established. This work, as it seems to your Com-

mittee, should be entrusted to District Missionaries appointed to explore one or more counties—to establish, with the consent of the Bishop and Board of Managers, services at points where they seem to be most needed—to hold such services from time to time, and to co-operate generally with the Clergy and Laity of their appointed District in devising and carrying out judicious and efficient plans of Church extension. Such Missionaries, if men of true piety and talent—and no other, in the opinion of your Committee, ought to be appointed—would prove invaluable agents, not merely in spreading the Gospel and Church of Christ, but also in awakening the spirit of *Home Missions* within the neighboring parishes, and in presenting a definite and deeply interesting object towards which their efforts and prayers may be directed. Such a Missionary, too, while he would receive much efficient aid from the Clergy of his District, and would afford on his mission a rallying point, around which they might collect for mutual aid and consultation, would at the same time be able to render assistance to vacant parishes, and to those temporarily deprived of pastoral care by sickness and absence.

The Committee would earnestly recommend the adoption of a resolution by the Convention advising the introduction of this feature into the operations of the Education and Missionary Society, and also urging that the rate of compensation to such Missionaries be liberal, and that a part of it be raised, whenever practicable, by the congregations within their respective Districts.

In conformity with these suggestions, the Committee recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:

1. *Resolved*, That the XVth Canon be so amended that the second sentence shall read as follows: "The amount of such annual contributions shall be reported to the Treasurer of the Education and Missionary Society of this Diocese before Easter-day of each year, and to the stated Convention next after they have been made."

2. *Resolved*, That it be earnestly recommended to the congregations in this Diocese to adopt the practice of monthly collections or contributions for the promotion of religion—unless for local reasons they be deemed inexpedient—the amount of such contributions being divided quarterly between such objects, Diocesan or General, as appear best entitled to the same.

3. *Resolved*, That Juvenile contributions for the same objects ought to be encouraged among children in families, in Sunday Schools, and in Catechetical and Bible Classes.

4. *Resolved*, That great advantage would be likely to accrue from meetings in which the subject of Christian Missions shall be the subject of special examination and prayer, and that the Bishop, if the suggestion meets his approbation, be requested to prepare a service appropriate to such occasions; and also that he be requested to consider the expediency of assembling such meetings at the time of his visitation in different parts of the Diocese.

5. *Resolved*, That the benevolent associations so long sustained in many parishes to co-operate with the pastor in his efforts to awaken zeal and procure contributions for benevolent purposes, have been productive of great good, and ought to be encouraged.

6. *Resolved*, As the sense of this Convention, that the Missionary Stations now under the care of the Missionary branch of the Missionary and Education Society of this Diocese ought to be gradually discontinued, so that at the expiration of four years from this time, said stations shall all become self-supporting, and that in adopting new stations, it should be understood that the Missionary stipend will be continued in no case for a period longer than four years.

7. *Resolved*, That the appointment of District Missionaries of approved qualifications, and with liberal salaries, is a measure which promises to be productive of great good, and which this Convention would recommend to the early and favorable notice of the Managers of the Education and Missionary Society of this Diocese.

ALONZO POTTER.

ROBERT B. VAN KLEECK.

WILLIAM L. JOHNSON.

WILLIAM H. HARRISON.

GULLAN C. VERPLANCE.

Notice was given of intention to propose the alteration of Canon XV., suggested in the Report. The reference required by Canon XVIII. was unanimously dispensed with.

On motion of the Rev. Edward N. Mead, the consideration of the resolutions reported by the Committee, were made the order of the day to-morrow morning.

The Committee on the Diocesan Fund presented their Report.

Whereupon the Rev. Joseph F. Phillips offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the foregoing Report be referred back to the Committee, with directions to report more definitely.

The Rev. William Richmond moved the following amendment : "that the Committee be instructed to report in favor of awarding mileage to all clergymen attending the Convention, who reside more than twenty miles from the place of meeting."

While the subject was under discussion, the hour arrived for the election of the Standing Committee, and the Delegates to the General Convention. The Bishop appointed as Inspectors, the Rev. William Richmond, and Messrs. Seymour and Fleming.

On motion of Rev. Dr. Milnor,

Resolved, That when this Convention adjourns, it adjourns to meet at six o'clock this evening.

The Bishop then left the Chair until three o'clock, at which hour, agreeably to the 11th Rule of Order, the Convention adjourned.

THURSDAY EVENING, 6 O'CLOCK.

Convention met pursuant to adjournment.

The minutes of the morning's Session were read and approved.

The Tellers not being present when their Report was called for, the consideration of the amendment of the Rev. William Richmond, which was before the Convention at its adjournment this morning, was resumed.

The Rev. Dr. Milnor moved the following amendment, which was adopted : "Strike out all after the words 'in favor of,' and insert 'such of the clergy whose parishes have paid to the Diocesan fund according to the Canon.'"

On motion of the Rev. Lot Jones,

Resolved, That the Secretary and Treasurer of the Convention be the Committee provided for by the 8th Canon of this Diocese, to assist the Bishop in preparing a Report on the State of the Church, and a list of the Clergy to be presented to the General Convention.

The Committee on the Relief of Aged and Infirm Clergymen presented the following

REPORT.

The Committee appointed at the last Convention to consider the propriety and best method of making some provision for the relief of Aged and Infirm Clergymen, respectfully report,

That the claims upon the sympathy of the Church, of Clergymen who have labored faithfully in its service, and have become disabled through old age or disease, are evidently of a very sacred nature. It affords just ground of congratulation that these claims are now becoming the subject of attention and interest throughout the Church in this country. Since the matter was brought to the notice of the Convention by the Bishop, in his last Annual Address, several Dioceses have acted upon it with the most encouraging prospects of success. Your Committee cannot doubt that in this Diocese the action will be equally prompt and efficient.

The propriety of some provision being thus obvious and being now generally admitted, but two questions have remained to occupy the attention of the Committee, viz., 1st. In what way adequate means of relief can be provided; and 2d. Under what conditions, or subject to what limitations, such relief shall be applied.

I. Among various methods of providing funds for this object, the following have occurred to your Committee as best entitled to the favorable notice of the Convention.

(a) Legacies and donations to be invested as a permanent fund—the proceeds to be applied annually, if needed, under the direction of the Bishop, and three Lay-Trustees to be elected by the Convention at each stated meeting. If the whole or any part of the annual revenue of said fund be not needed, in any year, it might be considered, thenceforth, as part of the capital. It is understood that the Society for the Promotion of Religion and Learning in the State of New York, are authorized by their charter to hold property in trust for uses similar to this, and if their consent could be obtained, it is believed that no better disposition of these funds could be made than to place them in their hands, subject to the Drafts of this Convention through its Trustees.

(b) Another and more abundant source of income for this important object will be found, it is presumed, in annual contributions to be made by all the congregations in the Diocese on some day previously notified—such contributions being particularly commended to the good-will of the people, both by this Convention and by the Rectors and Ministers of the several parishes—and the annual proceeds being placed at the disposal of the Bishop and Trustees as aforesaid.

II. With regard to the limitations under which relief should be applied, your Committee are aware that much must be left to the discretion of the Trustees. It seems to them proper, however, that in commencing such an enterprise, this Convention should place on record its deep sense of the paramount claims which disabled Christian Ministers have on their former cures, and on their opulent relatives, if they have any—and that it should in some way be declared, that the funds provided by this Diocese, instead of being intended to release or supersede such claims, are only designed to supply the lack on the part of parishes and kindred of the necessary ability or liberality. It is also incumbent on the Con-

vention to remember, that gratuitous aid and relief of every kind, however wise and benevolent its design may be, does still hold out, unless dispensed with caution as well as kindness, some temptation to improvidence. For these and other reasons which will readily occur to the Convention, it appears to your Committee of importance, that at the outset of this undertaking, when the contributions are likely to be large, and the number of applicants small, such limitations should be fixed as will not only guard against an unnecessary increase of applications, but as will also afford authority and precedent to future trustees, who may find a rigid adherence to rules and restrictions indispensable.

In regard to these limitations, the Committee would suggest,

1. That relief should be confined to those whose circumstances are actually straitened, and who have been actively engaged in parochial, or kindred spiritual labors during a large part of their ministerial lives.

2. It should not be so administered as to supersede on the part of parishes the duty of making provision for the support of their pastor when too aged or infirm to continue his ministry, and should therefore be confined, in the case of parish Clergymen, to cases in which the parish has signified through the Bishop, its inability or indisposition to make such provision, to an adequate extent.

3. It should not be extended to clergymen who have near relatives in affluent circumstances, unless there be satisfactory evidence that such relatives are unwilling to discharge the duty of providing for those of their own household.

4. In deciding between conflicting claims, preference should be given, *ceteris paribus*, to those who have been longest employed within the Diocese in ministerial duty.

It has occurred to your Committee that the object now under consideration would be materially promoted, if, besides the funds provided by the contributions of the benevolent, there were another fund to consist of annual subscriptions and contributions made by Clergymen themselves, on the principles of the Corporation for the relief of the Widows and Children of deceased Clergymen—the annuities from this fund being payable to the subscribers on evidence of their disability. Such an arrangement would contribute to animate and encourage the spirit of providence and self-reliance, and might add materially to the amounts to which individuals would be entitled.

The Committee recommend the following resolutions :

Resolved, As the sense of this Convention, that aged and infirm Clergymen in straitened circumstances, have a sacred claim upon the sympathies and aid of the Church which they have served, and that this claim is hereby earnestly recommended to the favorable attention of the Churches in this Diocese.

Resolved, That a collection be made annually in every congregation in this Diocese, to be applied in relief of Clergymen disabled by age or disease, and that said collections be made on the annual Thanksgiving day, or the Sunday next before or next following.

Resolved, That three Lay-Trustees be appointed annually by this Convention, who, with the Bishop, shall constitute a Board to be called, *The Trustees of the Fund for Aged Infirm Clergymen*, and whose duty it shall be to receive applications for relief, and to apply it on the principles and subject to the limitations indicated in the Report of the Special Committee made this day, and subject also to such further rules and regulations as said Trustees, with the approbation of this Convention, shall from time to time adopt.

Resolved, That this Convention recommend this charity to the benevolent as a proper object for donations and legacies.

Resolved, That all contributions or donations to this object be transmitted to the Treasurer of the Convention, and that funds not wanted for current use be invested and held in Trust by the Trustees of the Protestant Episcopal Society for the promotion of Religion and Learning, in case such Trustees consent to undertake the trust.

Resolved, That the Trustees of this fund be requested, if on consideration it shall be thought expedient, to establish another fund on the principles of those under the charge of the Corporation for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of deceased Clergymen, to which Clergymen may themselves become contributors, and from which in case of disability they shall be entitled to draw an annuity.

These resolutions are submitted to the consideration of the Convention.

Alonzo Potter, James Milnor,
Peter A. Jay, Gulian C. Verplanck,
James F. De Peyster.

The Resolutions recommended by the Committee were adopted.

The Report of the Standing Committee on the General Theological Seminary, was received and read, as follows :

REPORT.

The Committee on the Theological Seminary respectfully report,

That the Amount contributed by the State of New York previous to its division into two Dioceses, was - - - - - \$176,783 97
Of which by agreement there was to be considered as contributed by the Diocese of Western New York, - - - - - 10,000 00

And the remainder, viz. - - - - - \$166,783 97
By this Diocese in ; which since such division there has been added the further sum of - - - - - 8,045 32

Making the total sum of - - - - - \$174,829 29
as the contributions of this Diocese.

The number of Clergymen in this Diocese, is 196.

The number of Trustees this Diocese is entitled to nominate is,

For the Diocese, - - - - - 1 Trustee.
1 for every 8 Clergymen, - - - - - 24 "
For the sum contributed, - - - - - 21 "

Total, 46

The following persons who were Trustees and resided within this Diocese at the time of its separation from the Diocese of Western New York, are yet Trustees of the Seminary, and are not known to decline a reappointment : viz.

Rev. David Butler, D. D.,	Rev. Thomas Lyell, D. D.,
" William Berrian, D. D.,	" Alonzo Potter, D. D.,
" John M'Vickar, D. D.,	" James Milnor, D. D.,
" William Creighton, D. D.,	" Henry Anthon, D. D.,
" Francis L. Hawks, D. D.,	" John Reed, D. D.,
" John F. Schroeder, D. D.,	" John Brown, D. D.,
" Manton Eastburn, D. D.,	" Thomas H. Taylor, D. D.,
" John M. Forbes,	" Hugh Smith, D. D.,
" Isaac Pardee,	" Robert W. Harris,
" Edward Y. Higbee.	
Mr. David S. Jones,	Mr. David S. Jones,
" Stephen Warren,	" Thomas L. Ogden,
" James Emmott,	" David B. Ogden,
" Floyd Smith,	" Henry G. Wisner,
" William H. Harison,	" Peter G. Stuyvesant,
" Gulian C. Verplanck,	" Philip J. Van Rensselaer,
" John A. Dix,	" John N. Wells,
" Nathaniel B. Holmes,	" Edward P. Livingston,
" Henry Van Rensselaer.	

The following persons are recommended to the Convention for nomination as Trustees, to fill up the number to which this Diocese is entitled :

Rev. Jonathan M. Wainwright, D. D.,	Rev. Reuben Sherwood, D. D.,
" Samuel Seabury, D. D.,	" Benjamin I. Haight,
Mr. John Stearns, M. D.,	Mr. Isaac A. Johnson,
" Thomas L. Wells,	" Frederick J. Betta,
" Charles N. S. Rowland,	" John D. Ogden, M. D. 10

Total, 46.

The Committee recommend the adoption of the following resolution :

Resolved, That it be the duty of the Secretary to give immediate notice to each one of the 46 persons nominated as Trustees of the General Theological Seminary, &c., that he is so nominated ; and in case any of them shall decline the appointment, or die, or remove from the Diocese, previous to the action of the General Convention in the matter, that the Bishop, together with the sitting Deputies of this Diocese, shall fill the vacancies.

W. CREIGHTON.
JOHN BROWN.
WILLIAM H. HARRISON.
J. BURGESS.
BENJAMIN M. BROWN.

The nomination of the Committee was confirmed, and the Resolution recommended by them was adopted.

The following Communication from the Vestry of Trinity Church was read.

COMMUNICATION.

At a meeting of the Corporation of Trinity Church in the City of New York, held in their Vestry Office on the sixteenth day of September, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty-one, the Report of the Standing Committee in respect to the fulfillment by the Convention of this Diocese of the conditions of the annual grant of this Corporation in aid of the Episcopal Fund, being called up for consideration, was read in the following words :

" The Standing Committee to whom it was referred to inquire how far the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in this Diocese have hitherto complied with the conditions on which the annual sum of \$1,600 was appropriated for a limited period towards the support of the Episcopate in this Diocese, submit the following

REPORT.

See Resolution 27
Sept., 1838, Vestry minutes, pp. 214, 215.

On the division of the Diocese in the year 1838, the Vestry of Trinity Church, on the special application of the Convention, resolved, conditionally, to pay towards the support of the Bishop of the new Diocese the sum of sixteen hundred dollars annually, for the term of thirteen years.

The conditions prescribed for raising by annual collections, a capital to constitute a permanent fund for the support of the Episcopate in the new Diocese, not being satisfactory to the Convention, \$35,000 of the then existing fund was appropriated by that body to the Episcopal Fund of the new or Western Diocese, upon an expectation that this Corporation would not object to pay the same annual sum towards the support of the Episcopate in the Diocese of New York ; and during the same Convention a resolution was passed declaring that the Canons theretofore passed in relation

to annual contributions for the Episcopal Fund, should be considered obligatory on all the Ministers and Parishes within the Diocese of New York, and be thenceforth regularly continued until the Fund in that Diocese should amount to \$100,000.

The subject was again brought before the Vestry by a Committee of the Convention of this Diocese on the 8th October, 1838, and referred to a Committee of Minutes, p. 217. the Vestry, on whose report a resolution was passed on the 12th November, 1838, in the following words :

Ib. p. 222. "Resolved, That for the period of thirteen years from the first day of November instant, this Corporation will pay the annual sum of sixteen hundred dollars to the Trustees of the fund for the support of the Episcopate in the Diocese of New York as now constituted and organized, upon condition, nevertheless, that the collections for the Episcopal Fund shall continue to be made in the several congregations in the Diocese, and *bona fide* enforced under the authority of the Convention of the Diocese, for at least the period of thirteen years, and regularly paid over to the Trustees of the said Fund, to be by them kept in a course of regular accumulation, and subject to no appropriation of interest or capital by the Convention, until by such accumulation the said fund shall be raised to at least the sum of ninety thousand dollars, when (if happening before the expiration of the said thirteen years) the said annual payment of this Corporation shall cease."

Journal of Convention, 1839, p. p. 55, 56, 57. This resolution was reported to the Convention of 1839, and on the conditions specified in it, the proffered aid of the Vestry was gratefully accepted.

In consideration of the then state of the Episcopal Fund, the first year's advance was anticipated, so that the annual allowance of \$1,600 has been already actually paid for three years.

Having stated the nature of the subsisting engagements between the Vestry and the Convention, and its due execution, thus far, on the part of the Vestry, the Committee proceed to state the result of their inquiries in relation to its execution on the part of the Convention.

It appears by the Journal of 1840, that the whole collections for 1838-39 was

\$393 20

And on inquiry of the Trustees of the Fund, it appears that the entire collections for 1839-40 were

486 36

Making together. \$879 56

The entire amount of the Fund in a course of accumulation on the 13th October last, is stated by the Trustees to be \$893 31.

Journal, pp. 54, 55, 56. The Convention of 1839 appear to have taken no order in relation to the increase of the Fund. The Journal of 1840 contains the Report of the Trustees showing the contributions for 1839-40 to have been raised by 36 Churches only. A motion was made during that Convention to alter the Canon so as to make it incumbent on the Clergy to cause annual collections in their respective Churches, instead of leaving them in the discretion of the Churches, and a Committee appointed to consider the subject, reported in favor of the proposed alteration, but the whole matter was laid over until the next Convention.

An Appendix is annexed to the Journal of 1840, showing that, of 148 Churches then in the Diocese of New York, 96 had made no contributions to the Episcopal Fund, and that the contributions of the others were, in many cases, merely nominal. Among those not contributing at all, are all the Churches in Brooklyn, and several of the most wealthy and influential in this city. From these facts it may be inferred that the great majority of the Clergy of the Diocese are indifferent to the object of restoring the Fund for the support of the Episcopate to its original amount—that they do not consider themselves bound by the engagement of the Convention towards the Vestry, nor by the Canon, to make the stipulated collections, and that the Convention is unable or unwilling to enforce them. In view of these circumstances, there is no ground on which to rest a hope that within the remaining portion of the thirteen years, the fund can be raised

to an amount approximating to that contemplated by the Vestry when they entered into the arrangement with the Convention."

And the said Report having been considered, and the resolutions proposed by Mr. Harrison at the last meeting of the Vestry having been withdrawn by him, the following preamble and resolutions were passed by the Vestry:

"Whereas, on the application of the Convention of the Diocese of New York, and under the peculiar circumstances in which it was placed by the then recent division of the Diocese, and the consequent diminution of the fund for the support of the Episcopate, this Vestry did, on the 12th day of November, 1838, consent to contribute towards the support of the Episcopate in this Diocese the annual sum of \$1,660 for the period of thirteen years, on condition that the annual collections for the Episcopal fund should, during that period, be continued in the several congregations, and that such collections should be bona fide enforced under the authority of the Convention, and kept in a course of regular accumulation, and such conditional intervention of the Vestry was, by a resolution passed on the 3d of October, 1839, declared to be gratefully accepted.

"And whereas the Vestry of Trinity Church, in assuming this burden, acted on their declared conviction of the expediency of reinstating the Episcopal Fund by the same means which were devised for its creation, and also on their expressed confidence in the sufficiency of those means, if faithfully employed, to accomplish that object within the period of thirteen years, and without any undue pressure on the Congregations, and on the faith of the above recited resolution of the Convention, have since regularly paid such annual contribution to the Trustees of the Episcopal Fund, nevertheless, as appears by the minutes of the Convention, a great majority of the Congregations throughout the Diocese have hitherto made no annual collections whatever towards the said Fund, and no measures have been taken by the Convention to enforce the same, so that the whole amount of the annual collections has hitherto been less than one-third part of the annual appropriation of the Vestry, and it is now apparent that the fundamental principle of the intervention of this Vestry has been disregarded, and that the object of it must be defeated:

"1. *Resolved*, Therefore, as the sense of this Vestry, that the Convention of the Diocese having failed in the performance of the condition on which the annual appropriation for the support of the Episcopate in this Diocese, was made by the Vestry, and assented to by the Convention, it is no longer obligatory on the Vestry to continue to contribute to the said Fund.

"2. *Resolved*, Further, that the said annual contribution be discontinued at the expiration of one year from the adjournment of the next Diocesan Convention."

(Extract from the Minutes.)

T. L. OGDEN,

Clerk of the Vestry of Trinity Church.

On motion, the same was referred to a Special Committee of five, viz.

Rev. Drs. H. Potter, Eastburn and Brown, Hon. G. C. Verplanck, and H. Van Wagenen.

The Rev. Dr. M'Vickar presented the Report of the New York Protestant Episcopal City Mission Society, which, on motion, was referred to the Standing Committee on the subject.

The Committee on the Diocesan Fund presented the following

REPORT.

The Committee on the proper appropriation of the money received into the Diocesan Fund, respectfully recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That there be paid to the Clergy attending the Convention who reside more than twenty miles from the place of meeting, and whose parishes have contributed to the Diocesan Fund according to the Canon, *eight cents* per mile for every mile of the distance from their respective parishes; and that the remainder be appropriated to the printing of the Journal, and such other purposes as the Convention may direct.

ORSAMUS H. SMITH.
WILLIAM RICHMOND.
J. KNICKERBACKER.
CHARLES N. S. ROWLAND.
WILLIAM H. HARRISON.

The resolution was concurred in.

The Committee on the case of Mr. W. C. Carter, claiming a seat as a Delegate from the Church of the Messiah, Glen's Falls, reported that in their opinion Mr. Carter was not entitled to a seat. The Convention agreed to the same.

The Inspectors of the Election presented the following

REPORT.

The Inspectors appointed to receive and canvass the votes for the Standing Committee and for Deputies and Provisional Deputies to the General Convention, respectfully report the following, as the state of the votes :

CLERICAL VOTES FOR THE STANDING COMMITTEE.

Rev. William Berrian, D. D.,	Received	59 Votes.
" Thomas Lyell, D. D.,	"	58 "
" John McVickar, D. D.,	"	53 "
" Thomas H. Taylor, D. D.,	"	56 "
" Henry Anthon, D. D.,	"	3 "
" James Milnor, D. D.,	"	1 "
" Samuel Seabury, D. D.,	"	1 "
" Edward Y. Higbee,	"	1 "
" Manton Eastburn, D. D.,	"	3 "
" Jonathan M. Wainwright, D. D.,	"	5 "
" Hugh Smith, D. D.,	"	3 "
Mr. Thomas L. Ogden,	"	57 "
" Murray Hoffman,	"	56 "
" Gulian C. Verplanck,	"	61 "
" Floyd Smith,	"	53 "
" John Stearns, M. D.,	"	1 "
" William H. Harrison,	"	4 "
" Peter A. Jay,	"	4 "
" James Emmott,	"	3 "
" William H. Hobart, M. D.,	"	1 "

LAY VOTES FOR THE STANDING COMMITTEE.

Rev. William Berrian, D. D.,	Received	33 Votes.
" Thomas Lyell, D. D.,	"	33 "
" Thomas H. Taylor, D. D.,	"	31 "
" John McVickar, D. D.,	"	28 "
" Manton Eastburn, D. D.,	"	4 "
" Henry Anthon, D. D.,	"	1 "
" Jonathan M. Wainwright, D. D.,	"	1 "
" Hugh Smith, D. D.,	"	1 "
" Samuel Seabury, D. D.,	"	1 "
" Edward Y. Higbee,	"	1 "
Mr. Thomas L. Ogden,	"	33 "
" Floyd Smith,	"	30 "

Mr. Murray Hoffman,	Received	35 Votes.
" Gulian C. Verplanck,	"	35 "
" James Emmott,	"	2 "
" John Stearns, M. D.,	"	1 "
" Peter A. Jay,	"	1 "
" William H. Harison,	"	1 "

The Inspectors therefore declare the following persons elected members of the Standing Committee by a majority of Clerical and Lay Voters :

Rev. William Berrian, D. D.,	Mr. Thomas L. Ogden,
" Thomas Lyell, D. D.,	" Murray Hoffman,
" John M'Vickar, D. D.,	" Gulian C. Verplanck,
" Thomas H. Taylor, D. D.	" Floyd Smith.

CLERICAL VOTES FOR DEPUTIES TO THE GENERAL CONVENTION.

(106 ballots—necessary to a choice 54.)

Rev. Thomas Lyell, D. D.,	Received	106 Votes
" Thomas H. Taylor, D. D.,	"	68 "
" Horatio Potter, D. D.,	"	65 "
" Edward Y. Higbee,	"	58 "
" Henry Anthon,	"	60 "
" James Milnor,	"	56 "
" Francis L. Hawks,	"	52 "
" Manton Eastburn,	"	2 "
" John M'Vickar,	"	1 "
" Alonzo Potter, D. D.,	"	1 "
" William Richmond	"	1 "
" John Brown, D. D.,	"	1 "
Mr. Thomas L. Ogden,	"	106 "
" James Emmott,	"	106 "
" Stephen Warren,	"	106 "
" William H. Harison,	"	62 "
" Peter A. Jay,	"	52 "
" Gulian C. Verplanck,	"	2 "
" Samuel Jones,	"	1 "

LAY VOTES FOR DEPUTIES TO THE GENERAL CONVENTION.

(63 ballots—necessary to a choice 32)

Rev. Thomas Lyell,	Received	56 Votes.
" James Milnor,	"	38 "
" Henry Anthon,	"	34 "
" Francis L. Hawks,	"	34 "
" Horatio Potter,	"	32 "
" Thomas H. Taylor,	"	30 "
" Edward Y. Higbee,	"	23 "
" H. Lewis,	"	1 "
Mr. Thomas L. Ogden,	"	61 "
" James Emmott,	"	61 "
" Stephen Warren,	"	60 "
" Peter A. Jay,	"	38 "
" William H. Harison,	"	24 "
" Gulian C. Verplanck,	"	1 "

The Inspectors therefore declare that the Clergy have elected Deputies to the General Convention :

Rev. Thomas Lyell, D. D.,	Mr. Thomas L. Ogden,
" Thomas H. Taylor, D. D.,	" James Emmott,

Rev. Horatio Potter, D. D.,
" Henry Anthon, D. D.,

**Mr. Stephen Warren,
" William H. Harison.**

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v. Thomas Lyell, D. D.,
' James Milnor, D. D.,
' Henry Anthon, D. D.,
' Francis L. Hawks, D. D.,

Mr. Thomas L. Ogden,
 " James Emmott,
 " Stephen Warren,
 " Peter A. Jay.

Therefore, the persons duly elected to the General Convention by a majority clerical and Lay Votes, are

v. Thomas Lyell, D. D.,
' Henry Anthon, D. D.,

Mr. Thomas L. Ogden,
" Stephen Warren,
" James Emmott.

CLERICAL VOTES FOR PROVISIONAL DEPUTIES.

Rev. Manton Eastburn, D. D.,	Received	104	Votes.
“ John M’Vickar, D. D.,	“	93	“
“ William Berrian, D. D.,	“	102	“
“ Reuben Sherwood, D. D.,	“	59	“
“ Thomas Lyell, D. D.,	“	1	“
“ Edward Y. Higbee,	“	1	“
“ Benjamin C. Cutler, D. D.,	“	1	“
“ John S. Stone, D. D.,	“	1	“
“ Samuel Seabury, D. D.,	“	1	“
“ Hugh Smith, D. D.,	“	42	“
“ Alonzo Potter, D. D.,	“	6	“
“ John Brown, D. D.,	“	3	“
“ Francis L. Hawks, D. D.,	“	2	“
“ James Milnor, D. D.,	“	1	“
“ Jonathan M. Wainwright, D. D.,	“	1	“
“ Henry Anthon, D. D.,	“	2	“
“ Thomas H. Taylor, D. D.,	“	1	“
“ Thomas W. Coit, D. D.,	“	1	“
Mr. Floyd Smith,	“	100	“
“ Gulian C. Verplanck,	“	105	“
“ William Johnson,	“	103	“
“ Samuel Jones,	“	101	“
“ William H. Harrison,	“	3	“
“ Stephen Warren,	“	1	“
“ Thomas L. Ogden,	“	1	“

LAY VOTES FOR PROVISIONAL DEPUTIES.

Rev. William Berrian, D. D.,	Received	63	Votes.
“ Manton Eastburn, D. D.,	“	65	“
“ John M'Vickar, D. D.,	“	48	“
“ Reuben Sherwood, D. D.,	“	32	“
“ Hugh Smith, D. D.,	“	11	“
“ Alonzo Potter, D. D.,	“	1	“
Mr. Floyd Smith,	“	54	“
“ Gulian C. Verplanck,	“	57	“
“ William Johnson,	“	61	“
“ Samuel Jones,	“	60	“
“ Peter A. Jay,	“	1	“
“ Fanning C. Tucker,	“	1	“

The Inspectors therefore declare the following persons duly elected, by a majority of Clerical and Lay votes :

Rev. William Berrian, D. D.,	Mr. Floyd Smith,
" Manton Eastburn, D. D.,	" Gulian C. Verplanck,
" John M'Vickar, D. D.,	" William Johnson,
" Reuben Sherwood, D. D.,	" Samuel Jones.

All which is respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM RICHMOND,
ISAAC SEYMOUR,
JAMES FLENNING.

On motion,

Resolved, That the election of the remaining Deputies to the General Convention be the order of the day for eleven o'clock to-morrow morning.

Mr. Harison gave notice that he declined to be a candidate for election as a Deputy.

The Convention then adjourned until to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 1ST, 9 O'CLOCK, A. M.

The Convention met pursuant to adjournment. Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. William Richmond, Rector of Zion Church, New York, assisted by the Rev. Jedediah Huntington, Assistant Professor of Rhetoric, &c., in St. Paul's College, Flushing, who read the lessons ; after which the Bishop took the Chair.

After the calling of the roll, the Minutes of the last evening's session were read and approved.

Mr. Arnold B. Watson presented a certificate as Lay Delegate from St. Matthew's Church, Unadilla, and took his seat.

The Rev. Mr. Cooke, in behalf of the Rev. Dr. Milnor, asked leave of absence for that gentleman, in consequence of his being obliged to leave the city on important business. Leave was accordingly granted.

The Rev. Alonzo Potter, D. D., submitted the following preamble and resolution, which were adopted :

Whereas it appears there was yesterday some irregularity in the mode of conducting the election for the Standing Committee of this Diocese, and for Deputies to the General Convention, or in the canvass for the same ; and whereas no means exist of tracing the cause of such irregularity ; and whereas it is the unanimous desire of the Convention that such elections be conducted and reported with perfect accuracy, Therefore,

Resolved, That, regarding said election as void, the same be set aside.

On motion, the 9th Rule of Order was repealed.

On motion of Rev. Edward N. Mead,
Resolved, That the Convention do now proceed to the election for the Standing Committee, and also for Deputies and Provisional Deputies to the General Convention; and that for this purpose the Secretary do now call over the names of the Clergy, each one to deposite his ballot as his name is called; and afterwards the list of parishes; and that three tellers be appointed to receive and canvass the votes for members of the Standing Committee, and three to receive and canvass the votes for Deputies and Provisional Deputies to the General Convention.

The Convention then took a recess, on motion of T. L. Ogden, Esq., for 15 minutes, for the members to prepare their ballots.

On resuming the Chair, the Bishop appointed as Tellers to receive the Clerical votes for the Standing Committee, the Rev. Dr. A. Potter, Dr. Stearns, and Mr. Harison; and for the Deputies to the General Convention, the Rev. Mr. Mead, Mr. J. F. DePeyster, and the Rev. Mr. Pardee; and to receive the Lay votes for the Standing Committee, the Rev. Dr. Stone, Mr. Herman LeRoy, and Mr. George Jones; and for the Deputies to the General Convention, the Rev. Mr. Price, Mr. Betts, and Mr. VanWagenen.

On motion of the Rev. Lot Jones,
Resolved, That it be referred to the Secretary, Assistant Secretary and Treasurer, to make from the Diocesan Fund such compensation as they may think proper to the Sexton in attendance on this Convention.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Smith,
Resolved, That fifteen hundred copies of the Journal be printed under the direction of the Secretary.

On motion of the same,
Resolved, That a Committee be appointed with power to provide a safe and permanent place of deposit for the Records and Papers of this Convention.

The Chair appointed the Secretary, the Treasurer, and Mr. William H. Harison.

On motion,
Resolved, That the Canon of the Special Convention of 1838, of the repeal of which notice was given at the last Convention, be repealed.

The Rev. Dr. McVickar, as Chairman of the Committee to whom was referred so much of the Bishop's Address as relates to the 16th Canon, presented the following

REPORT.

The Committee, to whom was referred so much of the Bishop's Address as relates to the last clause of the first section of the sixteenth Canon of this Diocese, beg leave to report—

That they deem it inexpedient pending the consideration of this same question of Discipline in the General Convention, (now in the hands of a Committee of the same) to enter into the merits or defects of the Diocesan Canon, or to recommend any amendment thereto.

Your Committee confine themselves, therefore, to the interpretation of the clause as it now stands, and to that point of doubt in it particularly to which the language of the Bishop more especially refers—viz. the differing interpretation that has been put in practice upon the powers and duties of the Board of Enquiry, therein provided for, to be appointed by the Bishop, "whenever" (to use the language of the Canon) "from public rumor or otherwise, he shall have reason to believe that any Clergyman is under the imputation of having been guilty of any offence or misconduct for which he is liable to be tried, and that the interest of the Church requires an investigation."

The object and powers of this Board, your Committee deem to be analogous to those of a Grand Jury in the civil Courts, viz : an examination privately conducted, whether by documentary or other evidence, into the "prima-facie" proof of the charge made—as being sufficient or not sufficient to put the party upon trial—i. e. to "present" him—the actual trial of his innocence or guilt being the issue that canonically follows presentment, and not therefore to be pre-judged or anticipated by the Board of Enquiry that institutes that presentment. By such latter course, the Board would go beyond, in the opinion of your Committee, the canonical bounds assigned to their action, as well as prejudice the general ends of justice through a premature and necessarily imperfect trial of the case. The duty of such Board of Enquiry, your Committee deem to be clearly limited by Canon to "finding" (in the language of the law) "a True Bill;" that is, throwing out all frivolous, malicious, or unfounded charges against the accused—to go on and present only in the two following cases:

1. When presumption of guilt, in their judgment, lies strongly against the accused, and the charge is one on which he is "liable to be tried." And,
2. When the peace and honor of the Church, in their judgment, demand that the scandal of such public "imputation," involving criminality in one of its ministers, should be as publicly wiped off from it.

These two cases, your Committee believe to comprehend "the sufficient ground for presentment" laid down as the Board's rule of action in the clause of the Canon referred to them—and therefore report accordingly.

JOHN M'VICKAR,
THOMAS L. OGDEN,
SAM'L JONES.

The tellers appointed to receive the Clerical and the Lay votes for the Standing Committee, respectively reported; when the following gentlemen were declared to be duly elected, viz.: Rev. William Berrian, D. D., Rev. Thomas Lyell, D. D., Rev. John McVickar, D. D., Rev. Thomas H. Taylor, D. D., Thomas L. Ogden, Esq., Murray Hoffman, Esq., Gulian C. Verplanck, Esq., and Floyd Smith, Esq.

The Resolutions of the Committee on the Missionary Operations of the Diocese, were then called up and discussed. Resolution I. was adopted, more than two-thirds of both orders voting in its favor. Resolution II. was laid on the table for the present, at the request of the Chairman of the Committee. Resolutions

III. and IV. were lost. Resolution V. was adopted. Resolutions VI. and VII. were laid on the table, until the Report of the Committee on the Education and Missionary Society was received.

At the request of the same Committee, the Communication from the Board of Managers of the Education and Missionary Society, which had been referred to them, was transferred to the Standing Committee on that Society.

On the motion of Thomas L. Ogden, Esq.,

Resolved, That a Committee be appointed to consider, and at the next annual meeting of this Convention, to report such standing rules as they may deem expedient for regulating and conducting the election of Deputies to the General Convention, and of the members to compose the Standing Committee of the Diocese; and that the same Committee be instructed to consider and report what alterations, if any, may be advantageously made in the conducting of other elections or nominations to be made by the Convention.

The Chair appointed Thomas L. Ogden, Esq., Rev. Dr. Berrian, Rev. Dr. Creighton, P. A. Jay, Esq., and Gulian C. Verplanck, Esq., the Committee.

On motion of Mr. Harison,

Resolved, That when the House adjourns, it will adjourn to meet at 6 o'clock this evening.

The tellers appointed to receive the Clerical and the Lay votes for Deputies to the General Convention, and for Provisional Deputies to the same, respectively reported; when it appeared that the Rev. Thomas Lyell, D. D., the Rev. Henry Anthon, D. D., Thomas L. Ogden, Esq., Stephen Warren, Esq., Peter A. Jay, Esq., and the Hon. James Emmott, were duly elected Deputies to the General Convention; and the Rev. William Berrian, D. D., the Rev. John McVickar, D. D., the Rev. Manton Eastburn, D. D., the Hon. Samuel Jones, the Hon. Gulian C. Verplanck, Floyd Smith, Esq., and William Johnson, Esq., were duly elected Provisional Deputies to the General Convention.

It appearing that there was a non-concurrence of the two orders, in the election of two clerical Deputies, and one provisional Deputy,

Resolved, That an election of two Clerical Deputies to the General Convention, and of one provisional Clerical Deputy to the same, be the order of the day at 6 o'clock, P. M. this day, and that the same mode of election be pursued which was adopted this morning.

On motion, the House then adjourned, to meet at 6 o'clock, P. M.

FRIDAY EVENING, 6 O'CLOCK.

The Convention met pursuant to adjournment.

The Minutes of the Morning Session were read and approved.

The election of two Clerical Deputies, and one Clerical Provisional Deputy, being the order of the day, the Chair appointed the Rev. Dr. Creighton, Mr. Mitchell, and Dr. Wilson, tellers to receive and canvass the votes of the Clergy; and the Rev. Lot Jones, Mr. Woolley, and Mr. Wolfe, tellers to receive and canvass the votes of the Laity.

The Committee to whom had been referred the Communication from the Vestry of Trinity Church, New York, presented the following

REPORT.

The Committee to whom was referred the communication of Trinity Church, in relation to the Episcopal Fund, respectfully report—

That they have had the same under consideration, and have found themselves deeply embarrassed in the attempt to devise some measure proper to be recommended to the adoption of this Convention. They are constrained to acknowledge, that the *conditions* on which the vestry of Trinity Church engaged to pay, annually, for thirteen years, sixteen hundred dollars to the Trustees of the fund for the support of the Episcopate, which conditions were unanimously and cordially accepted by the Convention of this Diocese, have *not* been fully and faithfully complied with. These conditions were, that the Canons formerly passed, in relation to annual contributions for the Episcopal fund, should be considered obligatory on all the Ministers and Parishes within the Diocese of New York, and be thenceforth regularly observed during the said thirteen years. In accepting these conditions, it was of course understood, that the obligations involved in them were assumed by the Convention as a body, and by the members thereof severally, and that a solemn engagement was thereby entered into, that the parochial collections for the Episcopal fund should be faithfully made. It is well known to all who were members of this Convention, at the time of the division of the Diocese, and immediately thereafter, that when the Convention invited and entered into this arrangement with *Trinity Church*, it was influenced by a sense of what was due to the present Bishop of this Diocese, and to the fund which had been gradually accumulating, as a permanent support for the Episcopate of New York. It is believed, that at the time now referred to, the present Bishop of this Diocese received the most positive and solemn assurances that his support should not in any event be diminished by the division of this State into two Dioceses. This was considered to be but an act of simple justice to the Bishop of the Diocese; and it was with a view to make those assurances good, that the aid of Trinity Church was invoked, and the stipulations with that corporation entered into. And yet, notwithstanding this acknowledgment of the obligations of the Diocese, and notwithstanding these solemn engagements, it appears that during the years '38-9 and '39-40, the requisite collections were not made in more than one-quarter of the Parishes of the Diocese—that the sum annually collected from these was trifling, being only about one-quarter of the sum annually contributed by the Vestry of Trinity Church;—and it appears, moreover, that the Convention, though apprized of this state of things, *has hitherto* declined or neglected to take any efficient measures, to save itself

from the imputation of unfaithfulness to its most solemn and deliberate engagements.

Your Committee would beg leave to suggest, most respectfully, whether, apart from the claims of the Bishop, and apart from all considerations connected with the permanent interests of the Episcopal fund, it does not become this Convention, as a *religious body*, as a light set on a hill, to take good heed how, in an age like the present, it sets to the Church and to the world an example of unfaithfulness or indifference to its solemn engagements in regard to the payment of money. Our financial institutions, our commerce, and all classes of secular men among us, are exhibiting melancholy proof, that reckless engagements, and indifference to those engagements when made, are the great and growing evil of this age and country.* Shall the Church become conformed to the world in this particular—or shall it not rather be especially careful to frown upon every kind of dishonesty, and upon every appearance of indifference to pecuniary obligations; and to set an example, which shall commend itself to the hearts and consciences of the laity? The answer to this question cannot be doubtful. The justice and honor of this Convention *will* be vindicated in this matter to the utmost.

Should the contribution of Trinity Church be withdrawn, after the next Convention, it is believed, by this Committee, that it would still be the duty of the Convention, to make up the deficiency in the Bishop's income, and at the same time, to take measures for the increase of the Episcopal fund, until it shall be raised to the sum of ninety thousand dollars. These are obligations, which the Convention has formally assumed—but to meet them, without extraordinary assistance from Trinity Parish, would be exceedingly difficult. Should the Diocese, however, show itself disposed, during the ensuing year, to comply with its engagements to Trinity Church, in good faith, there can, it is hoped, be no doubt, that that corporation would still be willing to continue its annual payment of \$1600 to the end of the thirteen years. With a view to securing this important result, this Committee would beg leave to express to the Convention the deep sense they entertain of the importance of the subject, and of the sacred nature of the obligations resting upon them—and would conclude by offering, for the adoption of the Convention, the following resolution:

Resolved, That this Report be accepted and recorded on the Journal of this Convention, and that it be earnestly commended to the consideration of the Clergy and laity of the Diocese during the ensuing year; in the hope, that such collections for the Episcopal fund of this Diocese will be made by the Parishes, previous to the next Convention, as will induce the Vestry of Trinity Church to continue its aid through the remainder of the term of thirteen years, originally agreed upon. All which is respectfully submitted.

HORATIO POTTER,
JOHN BROWN,
G. C. VERPLANCK.
MANTON EASTBURN,
HUBERT VAN WAGENEN.

The Resolution of the Committee was unanimously adopted.

The following Report from the Committee on the Constitution and Canons was received and read.

REPORT.

The Committee on the Constitution and Canons of the Diocese, to whom were referred certain proposed alterations in the 13th & 15th Canons, printed on pages

* The same evil has shown itself to an alarming extent in many of the efforts recently made to erect churches in a style altogether beyond the ability of the respective congregations.

65 and 66 of the Journal of the last Convention, respectfully recommend to the adoption of the Convention, the proposed change in the Preamble to the 15th Canon, and in the first section thereof; also,

The proposed substitute for the first sentence of the second Section, as far as respects the following particulars, viz. :

For "the said Society," read *the first named Society*, and then add the following words:—*also of each congregation in the city of New York, a further contribution in aid of the funds of the last named Society; such contributions to be paid over to their respective treasurers, or to the Treasurer of the Convention, for that purpose.*

At the close of the first sentence, read—or in the case of a vacant parish, by the Wardens and Vestrymen.

The Committee propose the following amendment to the 13th Canon :

In first line, for "is required to," read *shall*.

Also, the following in Canon 15th : For the last sentence of Section 2d, read —*it shall be the duty of the ministers and rectors, or in vacant parishes, the Wardens and Vestrymen, to adopt the mode of obtaining such annual contributions in their respective churches.*

The Report of this Committee made to the last Convention, having been referred back to them, they respectfully return it for the consideration of the Convention, without any proposed amendments. It is to be found on pages 19 and 20 of the Journal of the last Convention.

Respectfully submitted.

In behalf of the Committee,

BENJ. T. ONDERDONK, Chairman.

The tellers appointed to receive and canvass the Clerical and the Lay votes for two Clerical Deputies, and one Provisional Deputy to the General Convention, respectively reported: when it appeared that the clergy had elected the Rev. Thomas H. Taylor, D. D., and the Rev. Edward Y. Higbee, Deputies, and the Rev. Reuben Sherwood, D. D., Provisional Deputy; and the Laity had elected the Rev. Francis L. Hawks, D. D., and the Rev. James Milnor, D. D., Deputies, and the Rev. Hugh Smith, D. D., Provisional Deputy.

There being no concurrence of the orders, it was determined to proceed to the election again; when the Chair appointed the Rev. Mr. Hatch, Mr. Gerardus Clark, and Mr. J. N. Taylor, tellers to receive and canvass the Clerical votes; and the Rev. Mr. Twing, Mr. John Holme, and the Rev. O. H. Smith, tellers to receive and canvass the Lay votes.

The tellers, so appointed, respectively reported; the result being the same as on the former ballot.

Peter A. Jay, Esq., from the Committee of the last Convention on the Episcopal Residence, reported that a Memorial was forwarded to the Legislature; and that the desired Act had been passed.

The consideration of the Report of the Committee on the Constitution and Canons, was resumed.

The Amendments recommended by the Committee to the 13th and 15th Canons, were concurred in by the Convention.

The proposed alterations in the Title of the Constitution, in the First, Second, and Fourth Articles, were approved of, and ordered to lie over to the next Convention. The proposed alteration of the Third Article was postponed.

The proposed alterations in Canon I., Sect. I. Canon IV., Canon XIV., and Canon XVIII., were adopted; as were also those in Section I. of Canon IX. Section 2 of the same Canon, as proposed, was adopted. The remainder of the former Section 2 was adopted as Section 3, as proposed by the Committee, after amendment made on motion of the Hon. Samuel Jones, and is as follows:

SECT. 3. It shall be the duty of the Deputies elect, to signify to the Bishop, at least two days before the meeting of the General Convention, their acceptance of the appointment, and their intention to perform its duties; in default of which, the Bishop shall designate from the list of Provisional Deputies, so many as may be necessary to insure, as far as practicable, a full representation of the Diocese: and the Bishop shall, in like manner, designate from the same list of Provisional Deputies, one or more, as the case may be, to supply any deficiency in the representation of this Diocese which may, in any way, occur.

Sec. 4 was omitted.

Thomas L. Ogden, Esq., gave notice of his intention to move at the next Convention the following addition to Canon XV., Sec 2: "provided that as to parishes in the country, the collections may, in the discretion of the minister, be postponed, so that they be reported to the Treasurer by the first day of August."

The Rev. James W. Cooke submitted the following resolution.

Resolved, That a Committee be appointed with instructions to report the names of two gentlemen, one from each of the tickets voted for in several successive ballots, with a view of uniting the suffrages of the Clergy and Laity, in order to secure the election of a full delegation to the General Convention.

The motion was lost.

Mr. Walter R. Jones presented a Certificate as a Delegate from St. John's Church, Cold Spring Harbor, Queen's County, and took his seat.

The Standing Committee on the Education and Missionary Society, and the New York City Mission Society, presented the following

REPORT.

The Committee to whom was referred the Annual Report of the City Mission Society. respectfully report—

That said Society, in the opinion of your Committee, is evidently accomplishing, and in a pre-eminent degree, its great benevolent and Christian purposes; that the results of its operations have, thus far, been highly satisfactory, and evince the importance and necessity of new and vigorous exertions on the part of the Church, for extending its blessings to the poor and destitute of this city.

Your Committee recommend the adoption of the following resolution—

Resolved, That the City Mission Society continues to merit the entire confidence of this Convention, and that it is hereby earnestly recommended to the Rectors, Ministers, and congregations in this city, to put forth a united and vigorous effort to sustain and advance said Society in its interesting and important operations.

There was referred also to your Committee, at a late hour of the Convention, the report of the Education and Missionary Society of the Diocese of New York, together with a communication from the Board of Managers of said Society, to the Bishop, the President of the Convention, in relation to the exhausted state of their Treasury—

On which matter your Committee have time only to report the mortifying fact, that the Treasurer declares his "total inability" to meet the drafts of the missionaries this day due, "the funds in his hands being about \$1400 less" than the sum required for that purpose.

Under these circumstances, your Committee see no way for them, but to refer the whole matter back to the Convention, with a suggestion that a Committee be appointed to take up and consider the whole subject, with a view perhaps to a re-organization of the Society.

To meet, however, the pressing demands upon the Treasury, and prevent disappointment and injury to the missionaries, your Committee would earnestly recall the attention of the Convention to the resolutions adopted the last year in relation to this matter; and which are as follows.

"Resolved, That the condition of the funds of the Education and Missionary Society of this Diocese, as disclosed in the Memorial before the Convention, is contemplated with apprehension and sorrow; and inasmuch as the reported deficiency may to some extent be considered as the consequence of a failure on the part of many of our churches to comply with the canonical regulations, this Convention does hereby ask most earnestly that the special and instant attention of each clergyman and each congregation may be given to the subject. Entreating them to correct speedily an evil which is prostrating one of our best institutions, and which threatens our Diocese with deep and lasting injury.

"Resolved, That this Convention are deeply sensible of the zeal and fidelity with which in circumstances of great difficulty and discouragement, the Managers of the Society have hitherto conducted its affairs, and that they be exhorted to persevere in their laudable exertions,—the members of this Convention pledging to the Society, their hearty co-operation in promoting the great ends of its establishment.

"Resolved, That the clergy and congregations throughout the Diocese, be earnestly exhorted by their promised devotion to the great interests of our Holy Religion, by their regard for the honor and prosperity of our Church, and by their sacred obligations faithfully to carry into effect the positive requirements of its constituted authorities, to use their united

certions to fulfil the high purposes of the various annual collections required by the Canons.

Resolved, As the sense of this Convention, that whilst the Clergy shall faithfully and zealously pursue the course prescribed to them by the authorities of the Church in respect to pecuniary collections, their appeals to the Christian benevolence of their people will be duly responded to."

All which is respectfully submitted.

R. SHEERWOOD,
F. W. HATCH,
R. B. VAN KLEECK,
JOHN STEAENS,
ALEXANDER WALSH.

The resolutions proposed by the Committee were adopted.

On motion of William H. Harison, Esq.,

Resolved, That the Bishop be respectfully requested to consider the propriety of introducing some systematic and uniform plan of making, collecting, and applying the charities of the Church in this Diocese, having in view the increase thereof in amount, and the universal contributions of the members of the Church; and if he shall deem any expedient, that he adopt such plan as he shall judge best adapted to the end, and recommend it, by Pastoral letter or otherwise, to the immediate attention of the Clergy and churches; and upon his visit to every parish, he inquire whether it has been introduced into use there; and if so, how it has succeeded, and with what result; and that he be respectfully requested to report statedly upon the subject in his annual addresses.

On motion of Rev. Horatio Potter, D. D.,

Resolved, That it be recommended to the Clergy to make a special collection in aid of the Education and Missionary Society, to meet its pressing wants, within one month from the adjournment of this Convention.

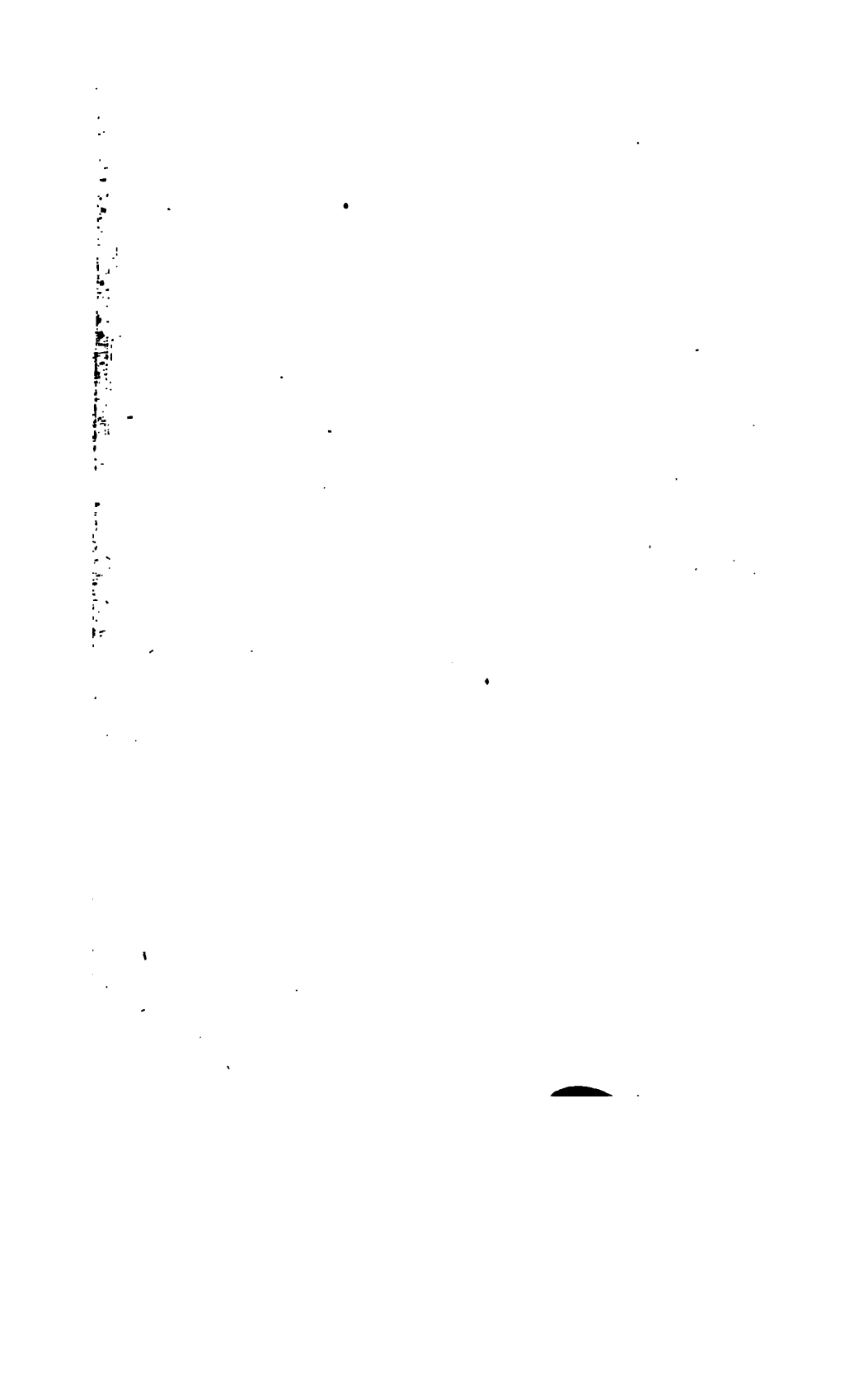
On motion of Rev. J. F. Phillips,

Resolved, That the Bishop be respectfully requested to communicate the foregoing resolution to the Clergy, in a Pastoral letter.

After singing part of one of the Psalms, and prayers offered by the Bishop, the Convention having received his Benediction, adjourned sine die.

BENJ. T. ONDERDONK, D. D.,
Bishop of the Diocese of New York, and President of the Convention.
Attest,

BENJAMIN I. HAIGHT, Secretary.



APPENDIX.

No. 1.

THE BISHOP'S ADDRESS TO THE CONVENTION.

MY BRETHREN OF THE CLERGY AND LAITY,—

I ask for a time a suspension of your operations, while I make my annual Address.

On the Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity, October 4, 1840, in St. Mary's Church, *Brooklyn*, I admitted the minister of the parish, the Rev. Joseph Hunter, Deacon, to the Priesthood. My Right Reverend Brother, the Bishop of Maryland, allowed me the favor of his presence on this occasion, and of preaching, and otherwise taking part in the prescribed solemnities.

Wednesday, October 14, laid the corner-stone of St. Ann's Church, *Morrisania, Westchester county*.

Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity, October 25th, in St. George's Church, *Hempstead, Queens county*, baptized an infant, preached, and administered the Communion; and in the afternoon, preached again, and was present at the examination of the children in the Catechism, by the Rector, openly in the church.

Wednesday, November 4th, and again, Wednesday, December 2d, attended, in this city, special meetings of the Board of Trustees of the General Theological Seminary, called in consequence of the vacancy in the St. Mark's Church in the Bowery Professorship of Ecclesiastical History. The result was, the appointment to that professorship, on the nomination, according to the statutes, of its munificent founder, of the Rev. John D. Ogilby, A. M., a Presbyterian of the Diocese of New Jersey.

Twenty-First Sunday after Trinity, November 8, in St. Peter's Church, *New York*, admitted to Deacons' Orders, Charles Aldis, an alumnus of the General Theological Seminary.

Mr. Aldis has removed to the Diocese of North Carolina.

Thursday, November 19, it gave me great pleasure to meet on an occasion of much interest, though somewhat novel, a number of my reverend brethren, and a good congregation, in the Chapel of All Saints' Male Parochial School. This building having been provided by that parish for the purposes of education on Christian principles, the Rector, Church Wardens, and Vestrymen, who are the Trustees of the School, requested that I would set it apart to so holy and important purposes, with such religious ceremonies as I might think fit and proper. This was now done; the exercises being commenced with the Order for Daily Evening Prayer. I need not say—for you know my sentiments on the subject, and your own, I will not doubt, are in unison with them—that the parish of All Saints have well done in that they have done this thing. Let the Church at large establish and sustain, on broad and liberal foundations, seminaries of a higher character, in which her sons and daughters may pursue, under her guidance and control, the more advanced literary and scientific studies; and single parishes, or where more convenient and feasible, two or more united, provide schools of lower grade on the same principles; so that, from the first training to meetness for stations of matured usefulness and influence, that good mother may have them always with her; and results of incalculable benefit to the best interests of the community, to the cause of God and of His CHRIST, and to the spiritual and eternal welfare of the rising generation, might, by the Divine blessing, be surely anticipated.

December 17, received the decision of a committee appointed agreeably to the 37th Canon of the General Convention of 1832, and the 16th Canon of this Diocese, to institute an investigation respecting certain rumors touching the conduct and character of the Rev. James Sunderland. The decision, I am happy to say, was, that there was no ground for the presentment of that gentleman for trial. He has since canonically removed to the Diocese of Western New York.

First Sunday after Christmas, and Festival of St. John the Evangelist, December 27, confirmed 7 in St. Mary's Church, *Brooklyn*.

Second Sunday after the Epiphany, January 17, 1841, confirmed 8 in Calvary Church, *New York*.

Thursday, 21, in company with my Right Rev. Brother the *Missionary Bishop* for Missouri, &c., visited St. Ann's Hall,

Flushing, *Queen's county*, and baptized a child in the chapel thereof; Bishop Kemper reading Morning Prayer.

Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany, January 31, confirmed 47 in the Church of the Annunciation, *New York*.

Sexagesima Sunday, February 14, in St. Andrew's Church, admitted the Rev. James R. Bayley, Deacon, the minister of the parish, who had been transferred from the Diocese of Connecticut, to Priests' Orders; and who succeeds, in the charge of this parish, the Rev. Abram B. Hart, now the missionary of the Board of Missions at Apalachicola, Florida.

In the afternoon, confirmed 29 in the Chapel of the Church of the Nativity.

February 16, it gave me great pleasure to receive the result of their investigation, from a committee appointed under the Canons last referred to, in reference to certain rumors deeply affecting the character and conduct of the Rev. Antoine Verren. The result was, unanimously, that there was no ground for the presentment of Mr. Verren, and that, in the opinion of the committee, he was "entirely innocent" of the charge brought against him. Uncommon publicity having been given to the attempts to blast the character of this brother, it is just that I also state that the author and abettors of a publication which first brought the charge which led to the above investigation, were convicted of a conspiracy to defame Mr. Verren, and punished accordingly. This was by no means a solitary instance of base effort to ruin, by calumny, the characters of respectable clergymen. Happily, too, it was not a solitary instance in which such criminality has been condignly punished. The infamy of those who can thus trifle with character, may place them beyond the reach of profiting by past examples of punishment. It may be hoped, however, that the virtuous and good portion of the community will prove that their estimate of personal and professional worth is not to be affected by charges from any other quarters than those of acknowledged respectability and credit, and that there is abroad a moral feeling and a sense of justice, which will at once crush such malignant efforts.

In the two cases above mentioned, as well as heretofore, there has been found some difficulty in arriving at the true meaning, and consequently the proper operation of the last clause of the first section of the 16th Canon of this Diocese. I suggest the propriety of the consideration of the subject by this Convention.

Quinquagesima Sunday, February 21, in St. George's Church, Flushing, *Queen's county*, admitted to Deacons' Orders, Jedidiah Huntington, M.D., Assistant Professor of Rhetoric and Intellectual Philosophy, in St. Paul's College, College Point.

In the afternoon, preached in the Chapel of the College, on occasion of the recent material enlargement and improvement of that beautiful place of worship. It was not consecrated, as being but an apartment of the present College edifice, and not the permanent Chapel, which the Corporation of the College hope, in due time, to be able to erect.

There is now a body of five clergymen devoted, with well qualified lay assistants, to the religious, moral, and intellectual nurture of the students of the College, and of its preparatory departments. Nor do I think that there are any of our clergy more legitimately employed in the work of the ministry. They are pastors in the very best sense of the word, waiting continually on the one thing of preparing the flock committed to their care, by frequent and well ordered religious exercises, by diligent instruction in the true faith, holiness, and virtue of the Gospel, and by a course of literary and scientific training, ranking among the most respectable in our country, for fidelity as members, and many of them, it may be hoped, for eminence as ministers of the Church, for respectability and usefulness in society, for good service to the commonwealth, and for eternal happiness when their earthly probation shall have ended.

And this may be a fitting time for me to reply to a question often put to me, with great seriousness, by devout and conscientious members and ministers of the Church, whether it is right for clergymen not deprived of physical ability, to abstain from pastoral duty, and give themselves to the education of youth.

My answer to this question has been, in substance, as follows: The history of man seems to have established it as a settled principle, acted on, not only for the interests of religion, but also on grounds of true political expediency, and as the result of sound philosophical views, that the education of the young should be in charge of the ministers of religion. The principle is clearly of ancient and catholic application in the Christian Church. It has its foundation in the undoubted fact that it is his religion which forms the character of man. That only furnishes him with sound *morals*. And it is only under the influence of religious and moral

principles, that the culture of the understanding can be rescued from the most shameful and pernicious abuse. Therefore it is right and desirable that this culture be committed to those who have also laid upon them, by their designation and commission to the ministry of the Gospel, the momentous responsibility of caring for the souls of all within their influence, and training them in Gospel faith, holiness, and virtue.

I have, therefore, no hesitation in saying, that parents should regard it as a distinguished privilege to have the instruction of their children committed to well qualified ministers of the Church. But with regard to the Reverend brethren themselves, who are teachers of youth, a word of kind monition is not out of season. It is, that they never forget, for a moment, their awful ministerial responsibilities. They are not mere pedagogues. They are not mere instructors in human learning. In all their teaching, they should have in view, as a practical principle, carried out in their plans and operations, that their pupils are under their spiritual charge, and that theirs is a solemn obligation to watch for their souls, as they that must give account. The duties to the Gospel and Church of CHRIST, which were bound upon them by the solemn vows of ordination, are still, and to the end of life must be, binding.

On these principles, brethren, I cannot conceive it wrong for the Clergy to attend to the instruction of youth. On the contrary, I deem it a function peculiarly appropriate to them, and think it would be a great blessing to the Church, to society, to the Commonwealth, and especially to our youth themselves, in regard both to time and eternity, if the instruction of both sexes was under, at least, the general authoritative supervision of well qualified, pious, and devoted ministers of the Church.

First Sunday in Lent, February 28, confirmed 38 in St. Paul's Chapel, *New York*.

Third Sunday in Lent, March 14, confirmed 49 in St. John's Chapel.

Fifth Sunday in Lent, March 28, confirmed 43 in St. Bartholomew's Church.

Sunday next before Easter, April 4, confirmed 59 in St. Mark's Church.

Easter Day, April 11, in the Mission Church of the Epiphany, admitted Donald Fraser to Deacons' Orders.

Mr. Fraser has since been officiating in this city.

First Sunday after Easter, April 18, in St. George's Church, admitted the Rev. Benjamin S. Huntington, Deacon, to Priests' Orders. On this occasion my Rt. Rev. brother, the Bishop of Tennessee, did me the favor of attending, and preaching the sermon.

Mr. Huntington has since been transferred to Connecticut.

Second Sunday after Easter, and Festival of St. Mark the Evangelist, April 25, confirmed 53 in St. Ann's Church, *Brooklyn*.

This was the last of the annual confirmations, for the season, in the cities of New York and Brooklyn; the whole number confirmed at which was 343. On almost every occasion there were present candidates from parishes in which confirmation was not expected to be administered during the year: their pastors adopting this expedient, frequently recommended by me, in order to secure, as far as may be, the very desirable object of having confirmation precede admission to the Lord's Supper.

Tuesday 27, consecrated St. Mark's Church, Williamsburgh, *King's county*, a substantial and beautiful edifice, the arrangements of which for the due celebration of the various departments of divine service, I regard as a model well worthy of imitation. On this occasion, also, I was favored with the assistance of the Bishop of Tennessee, who preached the sermon.

Third Sunday after Easter, May 2, in All Saints' Church, *New York*, admitted Orlando Harriman, jun., to Deacons' Orders, and the Rev. Albert D. Traver, Deacon, Assistant Minister of All Saints', and principal of the Male Parochial School of the Parish, to the Priesthood.

At the Communion, which, of course, accompanied the ordination, I was a most gratified witness of the method adopted by the Rector of the Parish, for complying with the rubric, which prohibits the removal of the remaining consecrated elements from the Church, and orders that the minister and other communicants "shall, immediately after the blessing, reverently eat and drink the same." The blessing having been pronounced, and the silent devotions offered, the communicants remained quietly in their pews. The wardens advanced, received the blessed symbols from the Rector, and proceeded to hand the same to the communicants in their pews. Perfect silence was preserved until the directions of the Church had been fully followed; when the re-

turn of the wardens to the Rector with the patens and chalices was the signal for leaving the Church.

I had never witnessed a more appropriate and solemn observance of a rule often disregarded, and often observed with a mournful absence of the *reverence* with which the Church would rightly and piously invest every thing connected with the holy mysteries of the altar.*

* It is very desirable so to regulate the quantity of elements for the Communion, as to have as little remaining as may be ; and this may be effected, on ordinary occasions, with little difficulty. The stated pastor of a parish can generally form a tolerably correct estimate of the probable number of communicants on any given occasion. The bread should be prepared in equal slices of moderate thickness, and each slice cut about half through in lines crossing each other at right angles, so that each may easily be broken into an equal number of pieces. The priest knowing thus how many pieces are contained in each slice, can remove from the prothesis, and place upon the altar, so many slices as he thinks will be sufficient. With regard to the wine, it will be found a safe rule to consider one quart as sufficient for one hundred communicants. Bearing this in mind, the priest can generally arrive sufficiently near to the truth in selecting the quantity to be used on any given occasion. In parishes containing a large number of communicants, and in which there may often be expected an accession of strangers, there is obvious propriety in having an additional supply of the elements on the prothesis, for removal to the altar, in the event of a second consecration being required.

The present is perhaps a fitting opportunity for me to express in this way, views frequently advanced in conversation respecting the elements and the vessels of the altar.

With regard to the former, devout principles and devout affections unite in enforcing the propriety of having the best that can be procured of those substances which CHRIST was pleased to select as, when duly consecrated, the symbols of His most precious body and blood. Of the bread I would say, in the simple but sufficient language of the English rubric, that it should be "the best and purest wheat bread that conveniently may be gotten." The same qualities, also, should appertain to the wine which is provided for the table of the LORD. It should be "the best and purest that conveniently may be gotten." Nor will devout Christians be governed by selfish and time-serving considerations in determining what kind may conveniently be gotten. They will measure convenience by devout regard to the holiness of the object, and the claims of the Great Being whose honor and worship are concerned. I can hardly describe the mortification I feel at the low grade thus evinced of religious sensibility, when I see that provided for consecration as the symbol of the Saviour's blood, which would hardly be allowed on the tables even of those who kneel to receive it at the holy altar. It is painful to feel obliged to refer to such topics. But nothing connected with God's honor and service can be rightly regarded as of little moment. The expense consequent on proper arrangements in this par-

Mr. Harriman, though still connected with this Diocese, has been supplying the parochial duties of the Bishop of New Jersey, during his absence from the country.

Fourth Sunday after Easter, May 9, in the morning, confirmed 35 in St. John's Church, Troy. I was much gratified at witnessing now, as formerly, the complete and happy introduction into this city, of an annual confirmation for each parish. That holy ordinance is administered in the three churches in different years, every third year in each. Each Rector, however, has an annual season of special preparation for confirmation—the candidates all attending at the appointed church. Besides the benefit hence resulting to each parish, there is something sacredly interesting in thus merging, on occasion of the ministrations of the common pastor of the Diocese, of the *distinctive parochial* in the more *primitive catholic*, character and connection of the people of his charge.

In the afternoon, confirmed 23 in Trinity Church, Lansingburgh, Rensselaer county, where I was much gratified to find a marked and most encouraging, and I may add, growing, improvement in the state of the parish. The vacancy in this Church, occasioned by the removal, reported to you last year, of the Rev. Phineas L. Whipple, has been supplied by the election to its Rectorship of the Rev. Alvi T. Twing, who has resigned the Missionary station at West Troy, Albany county, where he is succeeded by the Rev.

ticular will be found, even in the case of the smallest parishes, so unimportant as to render truly shameful the least hesitation on that account.

With regard to vessels for the altar, I have found it impossible to reconcile myself to the permanent appropriation of any but those of silver. That on all general principles these are best, I think I shall be excused for taking it for granted, none will deny who are influenced by truly Christian principles and feelings. The excuse for substituting those of inferior metal, is its economy. Even this, however, will be seen true only for a limited time. Ultimate and permanent economy is undoubtedly best answered by the use of vessels which may be expected to retain, from generation to generation, meetness of condition for their holy use. It were much better to provide temporarily decent vessels of china or glass, at small cost, and gradually procure substitutes of silver. The price of a complete set of inferior metal had better be bestowed on a chalice and paten of silver, and other articles of the same metal be added, from time to time, as means are possessed; until thus the altar is completely furnished. Where pious individual liberality, as happily is often the case, is moved to provide vessels for the Lord's Table, it were a much more permanent benefit, and more honorable offering, to present one or more articles of the *precious metal*, than a whole service of that which is inferior.

William H. A. Bissell, late Instructor in the Episcopal Institute, Troy.

In the evening, preached in Grace Church, Waterford, *Saratoga County*. This parish I found in other hands than those in which it was when I last addressed you. The Rev. Cyrus Stebbins, D. D., the Rector of the Parish, and the Missionary there, and at Cohoes, Albany County, had, a few months before, closed the life of a devout Christian, a faithful minister of Jesus, and a divine of more than ordinary qualifications and ability, by a truly Christian death—the approach of which, by a lingering and painful disease, was met as the spirit and armor supplied by CHRIST can alone enable the Christian to meet the king of terrors.

His successor is the Rev. George B. Eastman, formerly Instructor in the Troy Episcopal Institute ; under whom the parish, I am thankful to say, is prospering well.

Tuesday, May 11, confirmed 1 in the Chapel of St. Mark's Church, Hoosick Falls, *Rensselaer county*—a parish much tried, and, I fear, severely injured, by the malign influences of the god of this world ; but not so, I humbly trust, as to preclude the hope that a blessing may yet accrue to it from the devotion of its few good members, and their pious readiness to consecrate to Him who loved them unto death, a fair proportion of the bounty which He has bestowed upon them.

The Rev. David I. Burger, late missionary here, has resigned the station, and removed to that at Cohoes, Albany county, vacated by the decease of Dr. Stebbins.

Thursday, May 13, preached at the residence of a member of the Church of the Cross, Ticonderoga, *Essex county*.

Friday, 14, for the same parish, which is yet destitute of a church—a defect which I was happy to find there was a probability of their soon remedying—in the morning, confirmed 8 in the Congregational Meeting House, and preached there again in the afternoon.

This was the day recommended by the President of the United States to be observed throughout our country as a day of Fasting and Prayer, in consequence of the dispensation of Divine Providence, which had recently removed by death, the former President.

You are aware, brethren, that I had previously deemed it my duty to act officially in the same manner, by recommending a sim-

ilar observance to my Diocese. When first the solemn truth was announced to me, of the decease of the venerable and distinguished citizen who had, but a month before, assumed the heavy duties and momentous responsibilities of the chief magistracy of our Republic, the thought pressed itself with irresistible force upon my mind, that a Christian people could not innocently let such an event pass without regarding it as a call from God to recognise His wise superintending providence, to humble themselves before Him, and to engage in those holy exercises of heart, and those acts of penitence, faith, and devotion, which He has promised to bless, as means of turning all His dispensations to our temporal, spiritual, and eternal good; and which, occupying us in our social as well as individual capacity, may be reasonably hoped, through the merits of our Divine Advocate with Him, to draw down his blessings upon our country, and upon its citizens in all their civil and social relations.

Such reflections presented themselves with the greater solemnity to my mind, from the too obvious tendency of the age to forget God; to overlook His supreme dominion over nations; to think of our civil concerns, and our national well-being, as calling merely for the application of political views and action; and to measure love of country by liege devotion to party, and earnest engagement in strife for political ascendancy. A better wisdom, and vastly truer policy, I was satisfied, pointed to those principles and interests which the Church has in charge, as the real source of national prosperity and welfare; and in applying the means of extending the prevalence and influences of which, she is to promote the nation's good, and draw down upon it, through the interceding merits of her divine Lord and Head, the protection and blessing of the High and Mighty Ruler of the Universe. Therefore, brethren, I thought it my duty to exhort the portion of the Church committed to my charge, to give heed to this solemn call of God's providence, and endeavor, by His grace, to fulfil the sacred agency for our country's benefit, and the best interests of its citizens, for the welfare of religion, and for the glory of God, thereby commended to her practical regard.

The appointment thus made was, of course, by its terms, as well as by every consideration of propriety, and, I doubt not, to the heartfelt gratification of us all, superseded by the subsequent appointment by the civil authority, of the National Fast.

Fifth Sunday after Easter, or Rogation Sunday, May 16, for the parish of Zion Church, Sandy Hill, *Washington county*, preached in the Court House, and after service, confirmed, at her residence, a sick member of the parish.

In the afternoon, for the same parish, confirmed 2 in the Methodist Meeting House, Fort Edward.

In the evening, for the parish of the Church of the Messiah, preached in the Presbyterian Meeting House, Glen's Falls, *Warren county*.

Monday, 17, preached at the residence of an aged member of the Church in Northumberland, *Saratoga county*.

Tuesday, 18, preached in St. John's Church, Stillwater.

Wednesday, 19, preached in St. Luke's Church, Mechanicville.

The Ascension of our LORD JESUS CHRIST, **Thursday, May 20,** confirmed 3 in St. James' Church, Milton.

Friday, 21, confirmed 6 in St. Paul's Church, Charlton.

Saturday, 22, confirmed 1 in St. Mary's Church, West Charlton.

Sunday after Ascension, May 23, in St. Ann's Church, Port Jackson, *Montgomery county*, preached and administered the communion, and in the afternoon confirmed 3.

In the evening, for the same parish, preached in the Presbyterian Meeting House, Amsterdam.

Monday, 24, for the parish of St. Stephen's Church, Fonda, preached in the Court House, in the morning. This parish has been vacated by the removal of the Rev. John Noble, the Missionary there, to the Diocese of Western New York.

In the evening, preached in St. John's Church, Johnstown, *Fulton county*.

Tuesday, 25, in the same Church, confirmed 9 in the morning, and preached again in the evening.

Wednesday, 26, preached in the Universalist Meeting House, Fort Plain, *Montgomery county*.

Thursday, 27, confirmed 2 in Immanuel Church, Little Falls, *Herkimer county*.

Friday, 28, baptized an adult and confirmed 4 in Trinity Church, Fairfield.

Saturday, 29, for Grace Church, Norway, baptized an adult and confirmed 2 in a Meeting House in which the Episcopalians are owners in part; and subsequently confirmed in private an aged and infirm member of the same parish.

Whitsunday, May 30, for the parish of Christ Church, Herkimer, preached in the morning, in the Court House.

In the afternoon, for the parish of St. Luke's Church, Mohawk, preached in a Meeting House occupied at present by the Dutch Reformed denomination.

In the evening, preached in Immanuel Church, Little Falls.

Tuesday in Whitsun-Week, June 1, consecrated St. Timothy's Church, Westford, *Otsego county*. This parish is an eminent instance of the Divine blessing on our diocesan missionary operations. From a recent beginning which required strong faith to encourage any hope, it has attained to a good degree of spiritual prosperity, and possesses most encouraging examples of that devotion to the Church's welfare, which, though there is not much to give, gives gladly and willingly of what God has afforded. The Church here erected, besides being in itself a very neat and sufficient building, is also a model to other parishes for having been erected in strict conformity with the limited means of the congregation. For not more than one thousand dollars, they have a Church amply sufficient in size, style, and finish, for the greater number of our country parishes. I wish I could make my brethren of the Diocese sensible of the sore evil done by incurring heavy debts in the erection of Churches. The men of the world seize gladly on the opportunity for crying, There, there, so would we have it—Christians are no better than others.—Under the unreal show of promoting religion, advancing the Church, and bringing glory to God, they keep back the hire of the laborers and place themselves, by the improvidence and extravagance of their measures in building Churches, under the necessity of resorting to many of the most questionable expedients for relief from embarrassment.

A frequent source of this difficulty is a desire to enjoy the pecuniary aid of those who will give only on condition of the neighborhood being adorned with such a building as will suit their worldly views, or have a favorable bearing on their temporal interests. The devout members of the Church, whose ruling desire is to have a temple, however humble, in which to worship, should meet this disposition as far as they can; for it is on every account, right and proper, that the houses of God should have due adornment according to the means possessed by those who erect them. But no mere worldly views should induce a Chris-

tian body to go beyond their means. It were better, far better, to refuse all offers made on other principles, though the consequence be a much inferior Church, or even the still continued inconvenience of having no Church.

In the afternoon, baptized 3 adults, and confirmed 4, in St. Timothy's.

Wednesday, 2, preached in the Baptist Meeting-House, Rossville. This little village, and the neighboring one of Jacksonborough, both in the town of Maryland, have been added to the missionary station of the missionary at Westford, in lieu of Cherry Valley; where, although two parochial organizations have, at different times, taken place, the Church, I am grieved to say, must be considered as well nigh extinct. I have distressing fears as to the cause of this; but it will probably never be fully appreciated by man, until the day which will lay bare the secrets of all hearts.

Thursday, 3, preached in St. George's Church, *Schenectady*.

Friday, 4, confirmed 20 in the same Church, and afterwards, in the same city, administered baptism and confirmation, at her residence, to a sick person.

Trinity Sunday, June 6, in a Meeting House hired by Trinity Church, *Albany*, confirmed 5, in the morning.

In the afternoon, confirmed 7 in Trinity Church, West Troy, *Albany county*.

In the evening, preached in St. Peter's Church, *Albany*.

Monday, 7, instituted the Rev. Alvi T. Twing into the Rectorship of Trinity Church, Lansingburgh, *Rensselaer county*.

Tuesday, 8, in the morning, laid the corner stone of St. Luke's Church, Somers, *Westchester county*; previously to which I preached in the Presbyterian Meeting House; where I also preached again in the afternoon.

On my return, the following day, from this tour of visitation, I received a letter from my Right Rev. Brother the Bishop of Connecticut, stating that on a visit to the city of Troy, he had confirmed, on what were supposed to be their death beds, two members of St. Paul's Church, in that city, and a pupil of the Troy Episcopal Institute. The emergency admitted of no delay, and I have been happy in acknowledging to the Bishop, as I now am in recording, my thanks for this act of Christian charity.

Thursday, June 10, repaired to Astoria, *Queen's county*, where I had appointed the two following days for visiting The Astoria Female Institute, a seminary of education on Christian principles, under the charge of the Rector of St. George's Church, as Rector of the Institute, and of the Corporation of St. George's as Trustees. The evening of this day was appropriated to the catechetical examination of the pupils, after Divine Service, by the Rector, in the Church.

The second day of the visitation, St. Barnabas, the Apostle, Friday, June 11, was commenced with the Morning Service of the day, in the Church, when I baptized 2 adults and 11 children.

In the afternoon, also in the Church, which serves as the Chapel of the Institute, confirmed 3 pupils of the establishment and 4 others.

I was gratified to find the number of pupils in this excellent Seminary greatly increased, and its general condition such as to be every way encouraging to its friends.

Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, 16, 17, and 18, attended, in Philadelphia, the annual meeting of the Board of Missions.

Second Sunday after Trinity, June 20, in St. Mark's Church, Williamsburgh, *King's county*, instituted the Rev. Samuel M. Haskins into the Rectorship of the parish.

In the afternoon, confirmed 8.

Monday, 21, in the morning, attended in this city, the annual meeting of the Managers of our General Sunday School Union, and in the afternoon, that of the Trustees of our General Theological Seminary. The latter was continued through the four following days; the first three of them being also appropriated in part to the annual public examination of the students, and the last to the Seminary Commencement. On this occasion, 22 young gentlemen, of whom 11 belong to this Diocese, received the testimonial awarded by the statutes to those who prosecute the whole Seminary course, and thus became its Alumni.

Saturday, 26, laid the corner stone of Christ Church, *Brooklyn*.

Third Sunday after Trinity, June 27, in St. Paul's Chapel, *New York*, admitted to Deacons' Orders the following young gentlemen who had left the Seminary at the Commencement on the preceding Friday:—William Adams, Arthur C. Coxe, John T. Cushing, Whiting Griswold, John H. Hobart, Alfred M. Loutrel, David M'Ilvaine, Russell Trevett, Maunsell Van Rensselaer, and Robert

Washbon. My Right Rev. Brethren the Bishops of North Carolina and Vermont were present on this occasion, and did me the favor of assisting in the services—the latter preaching the sermon.

Mr. Coxe is the minister of St. Ann's Church, Morrisania, Westchester county. Mr. Hobart has been transferred to the jurisdiction of the Right Reverend Jackson Kemper, D. D., Missionary Bishop. Mr. Van Rensselaer has been assisting in the charge of St. Peter's Church, Albany. Mr. Washbon has charge of the missionary station at Rensselaerville, Albany county, and Greenville, Greene county; herein succeeding the Rev. Orsamus H. Smith, who has removed to that at Port Jackson, Montgomery county, and West Charlton, Saratoga county.

Monday, 28, consecrated St. Ann's Church, Morrisania, *Westchester county*, of which the laying of the corner stone, but little more than eight months previously, was mentioned above. In that short period, this substantial marble edifice was erected, finished, and furnished, in a beautifully neat and commodious manner, at the sole cost of Gouverneur Morris, Esq., on his own estate. This is the fourth instance of such pious munificence in the history of our Diocese, and one which every true friend to his country will delight to regard as eminently worthy of a name already illustrious in that country's annals. God grant that it may not be the last addition to the list which hands down to the grateful remembrance and veneration of the Church, the names of Duane, Van Zandt, and Pierrepont.*

It were much to be desired that our wealthy and benevolent men would duly consider the perpetual and inestimable good that may be done by the erection—and let me add, moderate endowment—of churches.

Before proceeding to the consecration of St. Ann's Church, Mr. Morris had cheerfully given every security that the Church should be permanently devoted to the worship of our communion,

* The Hon. James Duane built Christ Church, Duanesburgh, Skenectady Co., which was consecrated by Bishop Provoost, August 25th, 1793.

Wynant Van Zandt, Esq., built Zion Church, Little Neck, Queen's Co., which was consecrated by Bishop Hobart, August 13, 1830.

William C. Pierrepont, Esq., built Zion Church, Pierrepont Manor, Jefferson county, (now in the Diocese of Western New York,) which was consecrated by the author of this Address, August 16, 1836.

and with that view transferred to a parochial corporation when one should be there formed.

Festival of St. Peter, the Apostle, Tuesday, June 29, and the following day, made my annual visitation to St. Paul's College, College Point, *Queen's county*, an institution of which I had occasion to speak in a preceding part of the Address, and which continues to increase in its claims on the confidence and patronage of the Church.

Thursday and Friday, July 1 and 2, made a similar visitation of St. Thomas' Hall, Flushing, which I found largely increased in the number of its pupils, and conducted in a manner reflecting much credit on its Rector and his assistants, and fully justifying the anticipation of great good from it to the cause of religion and the Church, to the science and literature of the age, and to the best interests of society and our country. In its chapel, finished since my last preceding visitation, and probably furnishing one of the most beautiful and correct Gothic interiors in the country, I administered confirmation, on the last day of the visit, to six of its pupils.

Fourth Sunday after Trinity, July 4, in St. Andrew's Church, Richmond, *Richmond county*, confirmed 17.

In the afternoon, preached in Trinity Chapel, Factoryville. On both occasions, I was much pleased with witnessing the catechising of the children by the Rector.

On this day there was, of course, used, in both congregations, the service appointed by me for the Fourth Day of July, the Anniversary of American Independence, when that day falls on Sunday, and in other years, when its religious celebration is deemed desirable and expedient. In setting forth this service, I followed the wise, pious, and wholesome precedent of my immediate predecessor. The tendency of the present age to irreligion and forgetfulness of God, and the abuse of His national providences to mere worldly and often iniquitous purposes, cannot but give alarm to every serious and reflecting mind. It surely behooves the Church to do what she may in efforts to arrest the evil. The great event, especially, which called this nation into being, and its long train of stupendous results, ought not to fail to attract serious Christian regard, and draw forth efforts that they may, by God's blessing, be overruled to His glory, our country's good, and our own spiritual and eternal welfare. It is obviously impos-

sible for the Church to do much in this way at the usual stated returns of the day on which these things are more especially brought to mind. Hence the peculiar propriety, when it occurs on God's hallowed day of rest, of then, at least, bending the energies of the Church toward a true Christian celebration of an event, in which the Christian sees the hand of God ruling for the Church, for His glory, and for the good of men. Such were the views which impelled to the official transaction now considered; and which, I am happy to say, has, both formerly and now, been well approved as right and useful, and, it may be humbly hoped, been attended with a blessing from on high.

Thursday and Friday, July 8 and 9, were given to my annual visitation of St. Ann's Hall, Flushing, *Queen's county*. This excellent institution for Female Christian Education, I was happy to find much enlarged, and well sustaining its character for thorough efficiency in its important operations. In the new and beautiful chapel which had been provided since my last visit, I confirmed, on the second day of the visit, 13 members of the establishment.

Saturday, 10, confirmed 9 students of St. Paul's College, College Point, in the College Chapel.

The time spent by me this year in the four Seminaries of Christian Education, of which I am official Visiter, has been to me a source of much enjoyment, and has strengthened my hope and confidence of great good to accrue from them all. Most happy am I, also, to be able to say, in reply to insinuations sometimes cast upon such establishments—and I speak the sentiments of others also well qualified to judge in the matter—that the attention paid therein to the various branches of human learning, and consequent efficiency, are probably not surpassed in any of the seminaries of our land.

Sixth Sunday after Trinity, July 18, in the morning, confirmed one in the Chapel of the United States Military Academy, *West Point*. This visit was at the request of the Chaplain of the Academy, who is a Presbyterian of the Diocese of Virginia, and has succeeded, in this office, the Rev. Jasper Adams, D. D., who has been regularly transferred from this Diocese to that of South Carolina.

In the afternoon, for the parish of St. Mary's Church, preach-

ed in the Presbyterian Meeting House, Cold Spring, *Putnam county*.

Seventh Sunday after Trinity, and Festival of St. James the Apostle, July 25, in St. Anna's Church, Fishkill Landing, *Dutchess county*, admitted the Rev. Freeman Clarkson, Deacon, the Minister of the parish, to Priests' Orders.

In the afternoon, confirmed 9.

Monday, 26, in the same church, instituted Mr. Clarkson into the rectorship of the parish.

Wednesday, 28, in St. James' Church, Goshen, *Orange county*, admitted the minister of the parish, the Rev. Jesse A. Spencer, Deacon, to Priests' Orders.

In the afternoon, confirmed 2, and paid a pastoral visit to a sick member of the parish.

Friday, 30, in Christ Church, Marlborough, *Ulster county*, admitted the missionary there, the Rev. George W. Fash, Deacon, to the Priesthood.

In the afternoon, confirmed 8.

Saturday, 31, preached, and performed the Burial Service, at the funeral of a young member of the Church at Newburgh, *Orange county*.

Eighth Sunday after Trinity, August 1, preached and administered the communion, and in the afternoon confirmed 9, in a chapel fitted up in the Academy at Clermont, *Columbia county*. This, it is believed, was the first time of the administration in this village, of either Confirmation or the Lord's Supper. The faithful services of the missionary there have been much blessed, and we may hope that the very favorable impression which the Church has made, will soon result in its permanent establishment. The same might be said, my dear brethren, of many other places in this Diocese, where the Church is yet unknown, where heresy and schism are rife, where infidelity reigns, and vice and immorality triumph, and where misguided, however honest, zealots wage ungodly warfare for or against mere hairbreadth distinctions among the multiform departures from evangelical and catholic verity—I say, brethren, we might in these places too, have abundant reason to thank God for the unspeakable blessings of His Church, would our Diocese do its duty in the great and holy missionary cause.

Tuesday and Wednesday, 3d and 4th, were spent by me in Geneva, *Ontario county*, in the Diocese of Western New York, in duties and engagements connected with my station as a trustee of Geneva College. The interest which this Diocese possesses in that institution, from the fact of its being one of the few colleges in which the influence of the Church predominates, from its having been located in the Diocese before the formation of that in which it now stands, and from the aid which our Society for promoting Religion and Learning has extended to it, renders it particularly proper for me occasionally to notice it. I am happy to say, that it never possessed stronger claims to our favorable regard and full confidence. It takes a noble, and eminently successful stand in favor of thorough instruction. This, of course, is more or less unacceptable to those who wish for the *name*, without encountering the *toils* of learning, and are content with that degree of knowledge which is to be attained by an easy and a lazy road. The Faculty, however, are undaunted in the prosecution of their noble object, and will doubtless be sustained by the true and enlightened friends of learning, and of the proper discipline and training of the youthful mind. I recommend the College, with renewed confidence, to the patronage especially of the western portion of my Diocese.

Ninth Sunday after Trinity, August 8, in the Anabaptist Meeting House, Franklin, *Delaware county*, in the morning, confirmed one, and preached again in the afternoon.

In the evening, preached in St. John's Church, Delhi.

Monday, 9th, at Gilboa, *Schoharie county*, administered the communion to a sick person at her residence, and afterwards confirmed 2 in the Dutch Reformed Meeting House.

This confirmation was, it is believed, the first service proper to the Episcopate ever performed in Schoharie county; nor am I aware of there having been previously performed in the county, any of the services of the Church, more than a very few times, if at all. We have no parish in the county, as is also the case with two other counties in the portion of the State forming this Diocese; while seven counties have but one each, and seven others not more than three each. In all these counties, it would not be difficult to prove to the enlightened and impartial Christian, that the cause of CHRIST is greatly suffering for want of the Church, and many of her excellent members grieved for their des-

titution of spiritual privileges. Can any zeal, however ardent, or any contribution, however liberal, for distant objects, be evidence of a true missionary spirit, while CHRIST is thus suffered to be wounded, and his people neglected, among ourselves ?

Tuesday, August 10th, consecrated St. Luke's Church, Catskill, *Greene county*, and administered the communion therein. As mentioned two years since, the former parish church had been destroyed by fire. The erection of the present very handsome and convenient edifice has been facilitated—though to a less extent than it should have been—by the amount of insurance which the vestry had secured on the former church. Would I could say that like facility had been provided by the vestry of Grace Church, Waterford, *Saratoga county*, which, since my visit to it in May, has been involved in the terrible conflagration that laid waste no small portion of that beautiful and interesting village. The church unhappily was not insured ; but there are in the parish so many families in very moderate circumstances, who lost a large share of their worldly substance by the same calamity which deprived them of their church, that I hope the remissness of the vestry will not be suffered, by brethren who are able to relieve them, to be visited on the congregation. But I cannot withhold the expression of the sentiment, that if the gentlemen composing our vestries will subject their parishes to losses which may be so easily warded off, they ought to consider themselves bound to bear personally a very large share of the resulting burden. Indeed, so much is at stake in this matter, in many of our parishes, that the parishioners owe it to themselves to see that their churches are duly insured.

In the afternoon, confirmed 21 in St. Luke's, and subsequently an infirm member of the parish at his residence ; and in the evening, baptized a child.

Wednesday, August 11th, confirmed 2 in Calvary Church, Cairo.

Friday, 13th, in the morning, laid the corner stone of Bethesda Church, *Saratoga Springs, Saratoga county*. It was truly gratifying to witness the zeal and earnestness with which the work has at length been undertaken, of erecting a suitable church in this rapidly improving village, and important centre of influence.

In the afternoon, confirmed 6 in the present chapel of the *parish*.

Here, as in many places, a most serious difficulty was encountered in the point of location, at the very threshold of the enterprise of building a church. It is mournful to see how such a circumstance will sometimes divide a parish, greatly impede the cause of religion, and mingle worldly, time-serving, and unholy feelings, with objects which ought to be held sacred from whatever defileth. When I hear of a person that he will be very liberal in his aid towards building a church, if it is placed just where his fancy or his interests dictate, but will do for it little or nothing, or perhaps even endeavor to impede it, if erected elsewhere, I am almost tempted to think that even all that he can do, is paid for at too great a price, by having a man of such a spirit connected at all with ecclesiastical concerns.

Our brethren at Saratoga, finding that there was much honest difference of opinion among them as to the best location for their new church, and dreading the consequences that might result from holding the matter too long in suspense, had recourse to an expedient highly creditable to their Christian feeling and their honesty of purpose, and which I will venture to recommend as worthy of imitation. The vestry, by an unanimous vote, requested me to appoint three impartial arbitrators, to whom they agreed to submit the question of location, with full power of final decision. Two clergymen and a layman, from neighboring counties, were accordingly appointed. They repaired to the village, heard the several parties, visited the proposed sites, and unanimously determined upon the beautiful one on which the corner stone was laid. Thus was all difference settled, threatened evil consequences warded off, and every member of the vestry laid under an honorable obligation to do what he can to forward the building—even as much as if the selected site, should it not really be so, was that of his original choice.

Tenth Sunday after Trinity, August 15th, in Christ Church, *Hudson*, instituted the Rev. Pierre T. Babbit into the rectorship of the parish; in the afternoon, confirmed 13; and preached again in the evening.

Tuesday, 17th, preached in Christ Church, Poughkeepsie. *Dutchess county*.

Wednesday, 18th, in an apartment used as a temporary chapel for St. Paul's Church, Pleasant Valley, baptized 2 infants and confirmed 5 persons, and preached again in the afternoon.

Thursday, 19th, preached morning and afternoon in St. Peter's Church, Lithgow.

Friday, 20th, preached in the Methodist Meeting House, Poughquag.

Saturday, 21st, in Christ Church, Patterson, *Putnam county*, admitted to Priests' Orders, the Rev. Sheldon Davis, Deacon, the Missionary there and at Pawlings, *Dutchess county*; and preached again in the afternoon.

Eleventh Sunday after Trinity, August 22d, in the morning, preached in a Methodist Meeting House, Pawlings, *Dutchess county*.

In the afternoon, confirmed one in a Union Meeting House, South Dover.

St. Bartholomew the Apostle, Tuesday, August 24th, preached in St. James' Church, North Salem, *Westchester county*.

Wednesday, 25th, in the Presbyterian Meeting House, Somers, for the parish of St. Luke's Church, preached and administered the communion.

The church here, of which I mentioned above the laying of the corner stone, is, I am happy to say, going on rapidly towards a completion, which promises to be highly creditable to the parish.

Thursday, 26th, in the morning, confirmed 13 in St. Matthew's Church, Bedford.

In the afternoon, confirmed at his residence, in the same parish, a colored man, nearly 60 years of age, too infirm to repair to the church; and at the same time administered the Lord's Supper to him and his former mistress, a venerable member of the Church, in the 91st year of her earthly pilgrimage.

In the evening, preached in the Methodist Meeting House, often used by the parish, on account of its location being much more convenient than that of the church. I was happy to find the latter greatly improved in the interior since my last visit.

Saturday, 28th, confirmed 13 in Grace Church, White Plains. Here I found the church greatly improved by enlargement and otherwise, as was called for by the increasing prosperity of the parish, evinced by the very creditable manner in which the improvement has been effected; and all illustrative of the divine blessing on the faithful labors of the Rector, who includes within his sphere of pastoral duty, the properly united spiritual, moral, and intellectual culture of a select number of boys,

who all enjoy the privilege of being fully included in his domestic circle.

Twelfth Sunday after Trinity, August 29th, in the morning, confirmed 4 in Christ Church, Rye.

In the afternoon, confirmed 8 in St. Thomas' Church, Mamaroneck, and witnessed the public catechising of the children by the pastor.

Monday, 30th, confirmed 2 in Trinity Church, New Rochelle, and subsequently a sick member of the parish at her residence.

Tuesday, 31st, confirmed 12 in St. Paul's Church, Eastchester.

Wednesday, September 1st, in the morning, preached in St. Peter's Church, Westchester.

In the evening, administered baptism, at her residence, to an aged and infirm person, in the parish of St. Ann's Church, Morrisania.

Thursday, 2d, baptized an adult, and confirmed 5, in St. Ann's Church. This is the church mentioned above as having been built on the estate, and at the sole cost of Gouverneur Morris, Esq. The parish I now found fully organized, and the church, and the lot on which it stands, including sufficient ground for a cemetery and a parsonage, secured to the vestry in perpetuity, by the gift of their former munificent proprietor.

September 6th, received from the Right Rev. the Bishop of Tennessee, official notice of his having pronounced sentence of degradation from the ministry on Albert A. Muller, late a Presbyter of that Diocese.

Wednesday, 8th, at the request, and on the behalf of the Right Reverend the Bishop of Connecticut, consecrated the very beautiful and well arranged edifice erected by the parish of St. Paul's Church, Norwalk, Fairfield county, in that Diocese, as a substitute for the old church of the same name, which had proved insufficient for the increasing size of the parish—and which, for more than half a century, had supplied the place of a still more ancient edifice, which was burnt in the war of the revolution.

William Atwill, a candidate in that diocese, was also, at the same time, admitted by me to Deacons' Orders.

Continuing in Connecticut, I preached in St. Paul's on Thursday, 9th, and

Friday, 10th, in St. John's Church, Stamford, in the same

Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity, September 26, confirmed 3 in St. Mary's Church, *New York*, and afterwards, in a private house, 2 sick members of the parish.

It is also proper that I here record the ordination held yesterday in your presence, when John S. Kidney, an alumnus of the General Theological Seminary, and Stephen Patterson, were admitted to Deacons' Orders, and I had the pleasure of the assistance in the services of my Right Reverend Brethren the Bishops of Illinois and Kentucky.

From the above details, it appears that during the year, I have ordained 8 Priests and 17 Deacons—one for the Bishop of another Diocese; instituted 4 Rectors; laid the corner stones of 4 churches; consecrated 5 churches—one for the Bishop of another Diocese; and confirmed 687 persons on 60 occasions, which, added to the 3 mentioned above as having been confirmed by Bishop Brownell, makes the whole number confirmed in this Diocese, 690. Twelve of the Deacons are Alumni of the General Theological Seminary. I have also administered the Lord's Supper 28 times; preached 194 times; and travelled, in the discharge of official duty, about 3000 miles.

The changes among the clergy, other than those already noticed, have been as follows:

The Rev. Hobart M. Bartlett has removed into this Diocese from that of Virginia, and been aiding the Rev. Aldert Smedley, jun., of this city, in the charge of his Female Seminary, and supplying, during a suspension of labor on account of impaired health—now, I am happy to say, no longer existing—the public duties of the Rector of St. George's Church, Hempstead, Queens county.

The Church's deep feeling on the subject has been too truly manifested to allow me to doubt of your sympathy with the sorrow with which I record the death of the Rev. Lewis P. Bayard, D. D., Rector of St. Clement's Church in this city. He found his grave in the other hemisphere, while returning homeward from a visit to the holy land. A more faithful servant and minister of God; a truer son of the Church—with a heart warmed, as well as an understanding enlightened, by her principles; a more unwearied, devoted, and affectionate pastor; a friend, of more genuine virtues befitting friendship; and one of more constant fidelity in every relation of life—(I am surrounded with witnesses who will

fully bear me out in saying)—rarely if ever lived. My personal friend from our youth; my brother respected and beloved since together we were admitted to Deacons' Orders, as together we were subsequently raised to the Priesthood; and in the relation which for the last ten years of his life subsisted between us—a Presbyter with whom a Bishop could not be otherwise than happy; I most cordially sympathised with the deep and affectionate feeling so generally excited by the mournful intelligence of his decease. It was such a loss as is not often felt, and therefore naturally a subject of more than wonted manifestations of sorrow for ourselves, and condolence with the parish and the domestic circle, which felt it most acutely.

He has been succeeded in the charge of St. Clement's by the Rev. Edward N. Mead, whom he had left in its temporary care.

The Rev. Thomas S. Brittan has removed to the Diocese of Western New York.

The Rev. John A. Childs, Deacon, has removed into this Diocese from Pennsylvania, and supplies the missionary station at Waddington and Norfolk, St. Lawrence county.

The Rev. Caleb Clapp has removed to Williamsburgh, King's county, where he has charge of a Seminary, and is also supplying the Church of the Nativity in this city, of which the late Rector, the Rev. Anthony Ten Broeck, having resigned his charge, has removed to the Diocese of New Jersey.

The Rev. James Coghlan, having come to this country a few years since, as a Presbyter of the Church of England, canonically connected himself with this Diocese, and become the Rector of a parish therein, returned to England about ~~three years since~~, and has not since made to me his canonical reports. He is said to have become settled in the ministry there. As there is no mode of transfer provided between that branch of the Church and our own, and Mr. Coghlan appears to have thus renounced his connection with the latter, I have erased his name from the list of our clergy.

The Rev. William C. Cooley has resigned the charge of St. Peter's Church, Peekskill, Westchester county, where he is succeeded by the Rev. Moses Marcus, who has relinquished his station as Missionary of the Board of Missions at Nantucket, Massachusetts.

The Rev. William A. Curtis has resigned the Rectorship of St. Thomas' Church, Mamaroneck, Westchester county, and become the Missionary at Kingston, Ulster county; being succeeded at Mamaroneck by the Rev. John M. Ward, who has removed into this Diocese from that of New Jersey. The station at Kingston had been resigned by the Rev. Henry M. Davis, now Missionary at Ticonderoga, Essex county.

The Rev. Isaiah G. De Grasse, Deacon, a young man of African extraction, who had entered the ministry, and prosecuted its duties with talents and acquirements of a superior order, having removed to the West Indies, and made there an impression promising great future usefulness, was soon taken, by a happy Christian death, to the account of his short stewardship.

The Rev. Stephen Douglas has removed to the Diocese of Western New York.

The Rev. John Dowdney has resigned the Rectorship of Trinity Church, Athens, Greene county, where he is succeeded by the Rev. Thomas Mallaby, and become Rector of Trinity Church, Albany.

The Rev. Sturges Gilbert has resigned the Rectorship of St. Peter's Church, Hobart, Delaware county, and removed to the Missionary Station at Westford, Otsego county; which has been resigned by the Rev. Joseph Ranson, who has removed to that at Gilbertsville, Otsego county; from which the Rev. John Hughes has removed to the missionary charge of Monticello and Exeter, in the same county.

The Rev. George D. Gillespie has removed to the Diocese of Western New York.

The Rev. Kingston Goddard has resigned the Rectorship of Christ Church, Brooklyn, and accepted that of the newly incorporated Immanuel Church in the same city; being succeeded in the charge of Christ Church by the Rev. John S. Stone, D. D., who has removed into this Diocese from that of Massachusetts.

The Rev. Asa Griswold has removed to the Diocese of Western New York.

The Rev. William H. Lewis has removed from the Diocese of Massachusetts, and become Rector of the newly incorporated Calvary Church, Brooklyn.

The Rev. Andrew Hull has removed to the Diocese of Western New York.

The Rev. Hiram Jelliff has relinquished the missionary station at Lithgow, Dutchess county, and removed to Poughkeepsie, in the same county, where he has charge of a seminary of learning.

The Rev. Theodore B. Lyman has removed to the Diocese of Maryland, and the Rev. Louis L. Noble to that of North Carolina.

The Rev. Smith Pyne has resigned the Rectorship of St. John's Church, Yonkers, Westchester county, where he is succeeded by the Rev. Henry L. Storrs, removed into this Diocese from that of Western New York; and has charge of a select school in this city.

The Rev. Richard C. Shimeall has resigned the Rectorship of Trinity Church, Brooklyn.

The Rev. Marshall Whiting has removed into this Diocese from that of Western New York, and has charge of a seminary of learning at Astoria, Queen's county.

The Rev. Benjamin W. Stone has removed from this Diocese to that of Western New York.

The Rev. William F. Walker has become Rector of Bethesda Church, Saratoga Springs, Saratoga county; the Episcopal Institute at Troy, in which he was so faithfully and usefully discharging the duties of Principal, having, I am sorry to say, been discontinued for want of sufficient patronage.

I have already, in this address, announced to you, brethren, the death of three of our clergymen—all cut down in the midst of usefulness. Another is to be added. The Rev. Peter Williams, Rector of St. Philip's Church in this city, a few weeks after our last meeting, having on Saturday night, made all his arrangements for the hallowed services of the following day, and retired to rest, in his usual, though somewhat impaired health, was, ere the dawn of the expected day, summoned to the eternal world. This excellent brother, as you well know, being one of themselves, had been for many years, the faithful, devoted, and eminently useful pastor of a parish formed of Africans and their descendants. A better ordered parish the Diocese does not possess. Mr. Williams added to sincere and enlightened piety, and a grade of talent and theological acquirement quite above mediocrity, great soundness of judgment and prudence in action, and a just appreciation, a sincere love, and a consistent adoption of sound Church principles. Truly attached to his flock, and cordially devoted to their best interests, he took heed unto them with a wise

regard to what most concerned their duty and welfare in the life that now is, and their well-grounded Christian hope of that which is to come. "He fed them with a faithful and true heart, and ruled them prudently with all his power."

The parish thus suddenly and mournfully vacated, was cheerfully supplied, for several months, by the late Rector's Reverend brethren of this city, and has since been by the Rev. Benjamin Evans, our City Missionary at large, assisted first by the Rev. Donald Frazer, Deacon, and now by the Rev. Alexander Frazer.

The whole number of clergy of the Diocese is 196. Seven have removed from other Dioceses into this, and 16 from this into others, and 4 have departed this life.

The following persons are candidates for orders:—Henry Lawrence, William H. Hughes, D. Hillhouse Buel, Ralph Hoyt, Francis Edwards, Nathaniel W. Starr, Charles F. R. Smith, Jacob D. L. M. Moore, Henry M. Beare, Samuel Sherwell, Arthur Carey, James Witherspoon, Benjamin Akerly, Benjamin Daniels, John C. Smith, Samuel H. Coxe, jun., Stephen H. Battin, James W. Stewart, William Walsh, Gordon Huntington, Edwin A. Nichols, Reuben Riley, Henry B. Bartow, Frederick Shelton, Aaron F. Olmstead, Edgar P. Wadhams, Vandervoort Bruce, Archibald C. M'Elroy, Robert B. Fairbairn, Charles Bancroft, Homer Wheaton, George W. Coaklay, Fletcher J. Hawley, Elijah Guion, jun., Robert S. Howland, Charles S. Little, Edward Selkirk, (transferred from Connecticut,) William H. Norris, (transferred from Virginia,) Horace Hills, jun., Philemon F. Coe, Flavel S. Mines, William Everett, James W. Coe, James J. Bowden, Benj. B. J. M'Master, and Charles Seymour—Total, 46.

Of these, 20, viz., Messrs. C. F. R. Smith, Sherwell, Carey, Witherspoon, Akerly, Daniels, J. C. Smith, Battin, Stewart, Walsh, Huntington, Nichols, Olmstead, Wadhams, Bruce, M'Elroy, Fairbairn, Coaklay, Hawley, and Selkirk, are students of the General Theological Seminary. Others are expecting to enter at the opening of the Seminary next week.

John G. Barton, James N. M'Elligott, and Anthony E. Burt, have, at their own request, had their names erased from the list of candidates, and William E. Snowden been transferred, as a candidate, to North Carolina, and Thomas T. Guion to Connecticut.

Charles Axtell, being obliged by ill-health to suspend his studies, has ceased to be a candidate.

Since we were last assembled, our sister Diocese of Georgia has become fully organized, by the consecration of its first Bishop, the Right Reverend Stephen Elliot, D. D., a circumstance of great promise to the interests of the Church.

My official experience and observation through the year have given me much cause of thankfulness to God. The progress of the Church in this Diocese is evidently onward. I have seen parishes, indeed, in which I could not but think there should have been greater indications of prosperity. Mournful evidences have, in some places, forced themselves upon me, of the sore hinderances which a worldly spirit throws in the way of the Church's work. Men's minds are too much given to the service of mammon ; and in ostensible seeking of the interests of the commonwealth, the control and agency of Divine Providence are too much forgotten, the Church's instrumentality in promoting every department of human welfare is sadly overlooked, and mere politics, often the more absorbing and violent, in proportion to their narrowness of views, and selfishness of purpose, seem to hold in durancè the very heart's core of multitudes who profess and call themselves Christians. From these sources arises no small portion of the labors, anxieties, and disappointments of the ministry. The word preached falls too often on listless ears ; worship and ordinances extend in vain their invitations, or are heeded with coldness and indifference ; and men turn away from the true service of God to the lying vanities of the world. Of such things, my visitations through the year have given me too much mournful proof ; although I think we may hope that the work of God has, upon the whole, prospered, and that the world, the flesh, and the devil have been obliged, in no small degree, to yield. I think, my reverend brethren, that we have cause for encouragement, and I would affectionately ask that your prayers may be mingled with mine, that the grace of God may more and more abound in us, and when we again separate for our several spheres of labor, give us therein renewed supplies of the humility, zeal, wisdom, discretion, and disinterested and unwearied devotion, which are needful for making full proof of our ministry, and discharging its weighty obligations and responsibilities. Let us be more diligent in study, more constant and fervent in prayer, and of a readier mind and will in

among those who are opposed to it—of mere protestantism, instead of scriptural and primitive catholicity. A sentiment, a doctrine, a practice, may be far removed from popery, may be connected with the firmest protestation against popery, and yet be very wide of the truth. Mere protestantism, then, is no efficient bond of union. It may be one as far removed from the Gospel as popery itself. This the cunning jesuits see, and therefore have artifices beyond number at work to try to strengthen in their opponents the delusion which adopts protestantism as their watchword and their bond. Large numbers of really good, pious and sincere men, and among them many who love not the manifold errors which bear the name of protestant, and who do sincerely love the truth as it is in Jesus, are nevertheless hereby grievously deceived, and give unwitting encouragement to papal boasts, and to every grade of anti-papal error. Is it not, then, time that this fallacy should be exposed and renounced? Ought not Christians to be brought to see that the truth is by no means to be always found in the opposite to error? that the evangelical system—that with which Christ and His apostles blessed the world—is not characterized as mere protestantism, but as scriptural and primitive catholicity? that therefore the true blessings of the Reformation are to be found not in departure from Rome, but in return to Christ—to the principles, faith, and order of His One Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church? So thought the brethren who have been termed the “Oxford Divines;” and to bring about a correct estimate and practical adoption of the principles herein involved, has been the great object of their labors. But these have been, and are, but the labors of mere men; not, therefore, to be held as by any means infallible, or as an authorised guide to any man’s faith. But who thinks of denouncing the reformers as a body, and the reformation as a system, because of the errors and absurdities of many who were conspicuous and influential in the work? Or who would admit the charge of investing the reformers with authority over their faith, or receiving their decisions as oracular, because of general approval of their system as a whole? Multitudes are found to be lauding the piety and usefulness of Whitfield and of Wesley, and of their respective schisms, who would think it a hard measure to be therefore rated as themselves schismatic in their tendencies and views. I, of course, do not mean to bring the merits of these distinguished enthusiasts into compari-

son with these of the reformers or the Oxford Divines. But I wish to show the legitimate bearing of much popular objection against the latter. For the same reason I would give a passing notice to what has been sometimes strangely deemed a respectable argument against the Tracts—that they and their advocates are in favor with, and have been publicly lauded by, the papists. They must be little versed in the history of the sect which once had its emissaries even in the garb of English puritanism, lauding the wildest and worst of puritanic errors, who see not what all this means; and they are contending for issues little dreamed of by them, who consider popularity and applause among those who are without, as evidence of treachery to that which is within.

I know not that there is, either in this country or England, any body of men, I think I may say any individuals, who are the pledged and indiscriminating approvers and advocates of the works of the Oxford Divines, any more than of other human compositions. But that for which there is a loud, imperious, and extensive call among serious and reflecting minds in both branches of the Church, is, that a patient and unbiassed hearing should be given to those good men. There are two great evils to be met, the progress of popery on the one hand, and the false position of its opponents on the other. This is the cause in which the Oxford Divines are enlisted. They would distinguish popery, not from protestantism—for that is a most heterogeneous mass—but from scriptural and primitive catholicity. Here they look for the Christian system in its integrity. They wish not to allow to the Church of Rome the false boast that her popish peculiarities are catholic. They wish to remove from protestants the miserable and suicidal delusion, that all that is opposed to Rome is therefore true, and to enable them to separate what in the present Romish system is retained of catholic verity from what of papal error is mingled with it. Suppose that in the honest and zealous prosecution of objects so unquestionably good, they may sometimes push their zeal too far, and concede more than in propriety should be conceded. What else is this, but what the history of human opinion proves to be often the case with the very best of men?—What cause so holy, so good, so true, that if subjected to censure or rejection for such reasons, would not perish?

Brethren: the spirit of inquiry and investigation to which I have now referred, has attained to an extent and an influence

which will not brook feeble and common-place efforts to control or check it. All vague and general reprehension will fail to touch it; while it is not to be denied that it calls for no scanty intellectual and spiritual gifts for its right guidance, and its being turned to the best interests of the Church. He is the Church's best and most efficient champion, who has a nice vision to detect, a clear understanding and spiritual discernment to appreciate, and moral courage to advance and defend, what of scriptural and primitive catholic verity lies mingled with the mass of Popish error, or may be rejected in the indiscriminating ardor of Protestant zeal.

What I would recommend to my reverend brethren of the clergy, in consideration of the peculiar claims upon them of the present position of the Church, is, that they direct their most serious attention to the points of difference between the catholic and the Romish systems; careful not to allow to the latter the peculiar credit of any point which belongs to the former; not to be beguiled by the subtleties of the latter to admit as catholic aught that is perverted from the true evangelical standard; and not to suffer themselves to be drawn into indifference to what is truly catholic, because of ever so widely spread protestant prejudice against it.

I am aware, brethren, that this will be no easy work; but the minister of Christ must expect labor in his Master's service. It is always, but now especially, necessary for us who are in that blessed service as ministers of the New Testament, to engage, with great care and industry, in those studies which may give ability to sift well both popish and protestant errors, and arrive at the adoption of that system of evangelical truths and principles which was committed by its Divine Head, and by His Holy Spirit, through the blessed Apostles, to His One Catholic Church. Draw your studies, reverend and dear brethren, this way, and continually pray to God the Father, by the mediation of our only Saviour Jesus Christ, for the heavenly assistance of the Holy Ghost; that by daily reading and weighing the Scriptures, and by diligence in such studies as help to the knowledge of the same, ye may wax riper and stronger in your ministry; may always so minister the doctrine and sacraments, and the discipline of Christ as the Lord hath commanded, and our branch of the Catholic Church hath received the same, according to the commandments of God; and may be ready, with all faithful diligence, to banish and drive

away from the Church all erroneous and strange doctrines, contrary to God's word.

Nor are you, brethren of the Laity, uninterested in this serious and important subject. I have been much pleased to know that the "Oxford Tracts" have arrested the attention of some of the most intelligent and seriously-minded among you. I would that it were more so. Among their best influences are the *spiritual views* which they give of the Church, and all departments of its service, business, and operations. Let our worthy Laity who, parochially or otherwise, are called into the charge and conduct of any department of ecclesiastical concerns, duly reflect on the views of the Christian Church, its objects, its character, and its operations, which these Tracts afford, and I cannot but think that by the divine blessing on their good sense and moral principle, there will be a happy deliverance from the weight of worldly principles, views, feelings, and operations, which now presses down the Church to a level so secular, and often of so questionable a moral character.

We all, brethren, both Clergy and Laity, have a deep spiritual interest in certain serious and important points in the extensive inquiry to which reference has now been made. The real nature of the Christian Church, the connection of the Laity with the Church, the connection of the Clergy with the Laity, the connection of the divers orders of the Clergy with each other, and the reverence due to sacred places and sacred things—subjects, say what worldly principles and views may to the contrary, essentially interwoven with spiritual views of religion—are therein treated with a full reference to the bearing on them of Holy Scripture and primitive Catholic principles and usages, and urged upon that discriminating and conscientious regard which a Christian ought to pay to every thing connected with his spiritual character and interests.

God grant you all, brethren, both Clerical and Lay, the abundant influences of His grace for your right guidance, and your effectual aid, in your respective lines of duty to His holy Church; and especially in the most vitally important department of your adoption, for the ends of practical piety, of the true faith and holiness of which that Church has been made his honored agent!

In view of the great interests now brought to our notice, I feel

compelled to trespass further upon your patience by reverting to topics of peculiar diocesan interest.

Our Diocese, in discharge of its high functions as a duly organized section of the Church of God, has various agencies in operation for the discharge of its share of that Church's legitimate peculiar work. I refer to our Education and Missionary, New York City Mission, Bible and Prayer Book, and Tract Societies. They are agencies which, it would seem, no good member, and no good congregation of our Diocese, can do otherwise than cordially and liberally support. The two last named—the Bible and Prayer Book and Tract Societies—have, I am happy to say, been sustained with comparative liberality during the last year. Their detail of receipts and operations is, on the whole, encouraging. The field of their labors is unlimited save by the habitable globe. Wherever good Christian people may wish to distribute Bibles, Prayer Books, and Tracts, thither our Societies will send them. The Tracts, however, must, of course, be those which accord with the principles of scriptural and primitive Catholicism. But this has been found no hinderance to a demand for them from all sections of our country, from its Army and Navy establishments, and from foreign parts. These, to the utmost of our ability, have been met, and always shall be met.

I feel it my duty to add, that the Tract and Bible and Common Prayer Book Societies, are so organized and conducted as to encourage the fullest dependence upon their success and usefulness. They have, in common, a most efficient agency, sustained at present, by a gentleman whose devotion of time, care, and labor, is invaluable to the institutions employing him, and is productive of no small benefit to the Church in other spheres of diocesan and more enlarged operation.

Of the *organization* of our Education and Missionary Society, I can speak equally favorably, but not, I am sorry to say, of its patronage and operations. It has been, and is, deficient in funds, and consequently in operation. And yet I know of no institution which presents a stronger claim upon the contributions of Churchmen.

It has in view, first, the thorough education of young men for the ministry. It is not necessary to ask either why it is, or why it should not be so; but so it is, that among those who present *themselves* to us as of pious and moral character, and intellectual

capacity, fitting them for due preparation for the ministry, a very small proportion have the pecuniary means of passing through the proper preliminary studies. What, in this view of the case, is to be done? Our Society has established a principle in the matter which I deem eminently worthy of being thoroughly carried out. It is, that provision should be made for their actual expenses, on an economical scale, and they be thus allowed, without hindrance, to pursue a full course of literary and theological study. We act upon the principle that it is better to aid a few effectually, than to have more beneficiaries who, partially aided, must abstract a portion of their time from their studies, to secure their support by secular employment. Unhappily, however, we are not sustained in this most promising plan for training a well learned and useful clergy. The object must present itself to every well thinking Churchman as of prime importance. We are continually hearing of the importance of a well educated ministry. There is hardly a parish among us, in which there is not manifested a desire to have a talented clergyman. And yet our efforts to secure to every candidate for the ministry a respectable grade of literary and theological preparation, are so miserably sustained, that there is now very great danger of our being obliged to dismiss from our care, several young men of the most promising qualifications. So also with our Diocesan missions. Many of our missionaries have gone for some time unpaid because you, the parishes of the Diocese, will not enable the Board to remit them the little item in their support on which they have depended, and for the want of which some of them at least are exposed to great privation. The present state of things, it is obvious, cannot much longer exist. We must compel our beneficiaries to forsake their studies, and engage in secular pursuits for their support, and withdraw our missionary aid from parishes of great promise, though of present slender means of support, and thus crush them in their incipient prosperity. Will you force us to this, brethren? It is a serious and immediately pressing question. Oh, dismiss not, I beseech you, its solemn consideration, without duly weighing its momentous bearings and results. I have a communication for the Convention from the Board of Managers of the Society, which I commend to your most serious attention.

BENJAMIN T. ONDERDONK.

New York, September 30, 1841.

APPENDIX:

No. II.

PAROCHIAL, MISSIONARY, AND OTHER CLERICAL REPORTS.

PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

The following portions of the Parochial Reports, made to the Bishop, are published by his direction :

St. Paul's Church, Albany; the Rev. WILLIAM I. KIP, Rector.

In consequence of the change continually taking place in this Church by the removal of families from the city, the Rector is not able to make out the Report with as much particularity as desired by the Bishop.

Communicants added during the past year, 34 ; present number, about 140. Baptisms, (adult, 5, infant, 38,) total, 43. Marriages, 10. Funerals, 18.

A Missionary Collection has been made once each month, during the past year, except in August. Amount contributed, \$313.52 1-2 cts. This sum, except the portion appropriated to the Canonical collections of the Diocese, has been distributed in answer to missionary appeals, principally for church building at our western stations.

Missionary and Ed. Soc. of the Diocese,	\$30 00	
Diocesan Fund,	10 00	
Episcopal "	10 00	
Various Missionary objects,	263 52½	— 313 52½
Collections for other benevolent objects,	-	217 91
Contributed by Ladies' Society,		148 75
		<hr/> \$680 18½

A system of finance has been adopted, which it is expected, will in a few years relieve the church from all pecuniary liabilities. Under this arrangement, debts to the amount of about three thousand dollars have been liquidated during the past year.

St Peter's Church, Albany; the Rev. HORATIO POTTER, D. D., Rector.

Baptisms—infants, 39 ; adults, 3—42. Marriages, 12. Funerals, 41. Communicants—added, 37 ; died, 16 ; removed, 13 ; present number, about 250. Confirmed, at a confirmation in Trinity Church, Albany, 4. Sunday School Teachers, 23 ; Scholars, 120.

Contributions :—

Communion Alms, - - -	\$407 00
To the poor of the city generally, - -	225 00
To several Parishes and Churches, -	1,050 00
To the following objects—	
Miss. & Ed. Soc. of this Diocese, \$75 00	
Dom. Depart. of Gen. Miss. Soc. 100 00	
African Mission, - - -	40 00
Texas, - - - -	50 00
China, - - - -	10 00
Episcopal Fund, - - -	50 00
Convention Fund, - - -	30 00
Sunday School Union, - - -	10 00
Tract Society, - - -	10 00
	— 375 00
	\$2957 00

One-half of the above sum, i. e. about one thousand dollars, has been contributed for church-building. It will probably be thought that too large a proportion of our whole contribution has been devoted to that purpose. The Rector himself is of that opinion ; but the calls have been incessant, many of the claims seemed to be urgent, and money was given from time to time without anticipating the result presented in this report.

Trinity Church, Albany ; the Rev. JOHN DOWDNEY, Rector.

Baptisms, children, 14. Funerals, 8. Communicants : added, 12 ; removed from the Parish, 2 ; present number, 36. Confirmed, 1. Catechumens of Sunday School, 50.

The contributions required by the Canons have been made. The Rector regrets, that, owing to the limited resources of the Parish, he has been unable to obtain any thing for the several objects recommended by the Bishop. All that can be obtained is appropriated to the building of a church. It is hoped, that, when this is accomplished, liberal contributions will be regularly made for the different institutions of the Church.

This Parish was admitted into union with the Convention at its last session. At that time the Rector resigned the charge of Trinity Church, Athens, and assumed the charge of it. He found it small and feeble. During the greater part of the year, divine service was held in a Presbyterian meeting-house, hired at a great expense for that purpose. Besides the ordinary services on Sunday, and on the principal festivals of the church, there were weekly lectures during a part of the winter, and a daily service with a lecture, every morning in Passion week.

There has been an increase in numbers and strength. Several excellent families have been added ; and there is reason to believe that, in a few years, the parish will be large and prosperous. The Vestry are now erecting a neat and commodious church, which will be ready for consecration in November next. It has required great exertion on the part of the members of this Parish, to sustain it since its organization. It is believed that the building will be nearly out of debt, when completed. The field of labor in that part of the city in which it is located, is an encouraging one, and it is hoped that the services of our Apostolic Church will be the means of great spiritual good to the community.

During the year, the Rector has officiated several times in the village of Greenbush, near the city.

Trinity Church, Rensselaerville, Albany county ; the Rev. SAMUEL FULLER, Rector.

Baptized, adults, 2 ; children, 0. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 3. Communicants—added as new communicant, 1 ; removed from the Parish, 7 ; present number, 56. Sunday School : Teachers, 8 ; Scholars, 27.

Contributions :—

Education Fund of the Ed. & Miss. Soc. of the Diocese,	\$12 26
Episcopal Fund,	1 00
Missionary Fund of the Ed. & Miss. Soc. of the Diocese,	12 25
Diocesan Fund,	5 75

The ministerial services of the Rev. O. H. Smith were continued until the first of April. From that time, the Parish was destitute of stated services until the Rev. Robert Washbon, Deacon, received a unanimous call to the Parish. He began his stated services in the Parish, the first of August. During the intervening time, the Church was kept open by occasional ministerial services, and by lay-reading. The communion has been administered six times.

The services performed by myself, are as follows : Married two couple ; baptised two adults—children, none ; assisted in the public services of the Church, seven times ; performed the whole service seven times ; administered the communion five times, and once in Christ Church, Greenville ; preached six times—performed the burial service at one funeral.

Trinity Church, Plattsburgh, Clinton county ; the Rev. JOSEPH H. CORR, Rector.

Baptisms : adults, 14 ; infants, 31—total, 45. Marriages, 5. Funerals, 3. Communicants : added as new communicants, 34 ; removed, 5 ; died, 2 ; withdrawn, 1 ; present number, 68. Catechumens, 60—all of whom are examined and instructed in the Catechism as often as once a month, and sometimes oftener.

Contributions for various church purposes - - \$80 00

Divine service has been celebrated, for the most of the time since last report, three times on Sunday. A lecture has been held in the Church on Friday evenings. Bible Classes have been maintained, but for the present are discontinued. Service has been regularly held on all the high festivals of the Church. The Holy Communion is administered on the first Sunday of every month.

Christ Church, Hudson ; the Rev. PIERRE T. BABBIT, Rector.

Baptisms : adults 9 ; children, 22—whole number, 31. Confirmed, 13. Marriages, 7. Funerals, 18. Communicants : added as new communicants, 7 ; total added, 16 ; removed, 2 ; died, 3 ; present number, 119.

Collections and contributions :

Education and Missionary Society of the Diocese	
Education Fund,	\$13 00
Missionary “	9 00
Episcopal Fund,	5 00
Diocesan “	12 00
Professorship in the Gen. Theo. Sem.	20 00
Prot. Episcopal Tract Society, N. Y.	10 00
“ Sunday School Union,	5 00
Board of Missions for Domestic Purposes,	20 00
For the Parish at Waterford, N. Y., and at Clinton, }	60 00
Mich., about	
Our own Sunday School,	70 00

Total, \$224 00

The Bishop visited this Parish on the tenth Sunday after Trinity ; on the morning of that day, the present Rector was instituted, and in the afternoon, the holy rite of Confirmation was administered ; the Bishop preaching on both occasions, and in the evening.

Great interest is taken in the Sunday School by the parishioners generally, and they have just reason to be gratified in its prosperous state. The number

of teachers, 31; pupils, average attendance, 150. During the fall and winter, the children of the congregation were called together each Saturday, for a catechetical exercise. Besides the regular services on Sunday, the festivals and fasts, Wednesday and Friday during Lent, the Church was opened, the first half of the conventional year, weekly on Thursday evening, when, after prayers, an expository lecture was delivered upon portions of St. Matthew's Gospel. The attendance of the parish upon the services of the Church, whenever an opportunity is offered them, is highly pleasing and encouraging.

St. John's Church, Delhi, Delaware county; the Rev. THOMAS S. JUDD, Rector.

Baptized: adults, 4; children, 8—total, 12. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 5. Communicants: added, 5; removed, 1; present number, 64. Catechumens: Sunday School teachers, 8; scholars, 50. Examined monthly in the Catechism. Bible Class—weekly, on Friday evening, from 1st November to 1st of June—18 members, studying Books of Genesis and Exodus.

Contributions:

Education Fund of Ed. and Miss. Society,	\$4 00
Missionary " " " "	4 00
Episcopal " " " "	1 00
Diocesan " " " "	6 00
For Board of Missions of P. E. Ch. in U. S.:	
Greek Mission,	5 00
Domestic Committee,	5 00
Kemper College,	17 00

During the past year, divine service has been celebrated in the Church, on the morning and evening of each Lord's day, and a second evening prayer about twenty-five times. Also, *once* each, on Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day, Ash-Wednesday, and each day of Passion Week. The Holy Communion has been administered on four occasions.

Trinity Church, Fishkill, Dutchess county; the Rev. ROBERT SHAW, Minister.

Baptisms: infants, 3; not of the congregation, infant, 1; adult, 1—5. Burials, 3; not of the congregation, 5—8. Communicants removed into the Parish, 5; removed from the Parish, 4; present number, 19.

Collections:

Missionary Fund,	\$9 00
Education Fund,	1 00
Diocesan Fund,	4 50
Episcopal Fund,	1 00
Protestant Episcopal Tract Society,	2 00

St. Anna's Church, Fishkill Landing, Dutchess county; the Rev. REEMAN CLARKSON, Rector.

Baptisms: infants, 13; adults, 7—26. Confirmed, 9. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 9. Communicants: added as new, 13; others coming into the Parish, 4; removed from the Parish, 6—77. Sunday School scholars, 150; of these, learning the Catechism, 100; teachers, 18.

Contributions:

Education Fund of the Diocese,	\$5 50
Missionary " " " "	15 00
Episcopal Fund,	4 00
Diocesan " " " "	7 50
Foreign Mission,	33 00
Domestic Mission,	43 25
Sunday School,	25 00

Remarks.—There has been, during the past year, divine service twice on each Sunday; also on Thanksgiving-day, Christmas, New Year, Good Friday, and the "Fast-day" appointed on occasion of the death of our late lamented President. From October to May, there has also been a regular weekly service, in the evening; and from May to the present time, a Bible Class, for the members of the congregation, has been likewise held weekly. In the Sunday School, the Rector always examines the scholars upon the lesson of the day. Once a month they study, and are examined on the Catechism.

St. James' Church, Hyde Park, Dutchess county; the Rev. RUBEN SHERWOOD, D. D., Rector.

Baptisms: adult, 1; infant, 12—total, 13. Marriages, 2. Funerals of the Parish, 5; not of the Parish, 2—7. Communicants: added, new, 6; died, 1; removed, 6; present number, 60. Catechumens, between 50 and 60.

Contributions:

For the Missionary Fund,	-	-	-	\$35 00
" Education	"	-	-	20 00
" Episcopal	"	-	-	10 00
" Diocesan	"	-	-	12 00
" N. Y. Bible and Common Prayer Book Soc.	-	-	-	10 00
" Protestant Episcopal Tract Society,	-	-	-	8 00
Sunday School Library and other parish purposes,	-	-	-	80 00

Have officiated several times on the opposite side of the river, sometimes called West Hyde Park, where it is now expected that a Parish will be soon organized.

Christ Church, Poughkeepsie, Dutchess county; the Rev. JOHN REED, D. D., Rector.

Families, about 200. Communicants: added, 21; died, 7; removed, 3—208. Baptism: adults, 9; infants, 37—total, 46. Marriages, 23. Burials, 52. Sunday scholars, average attendance, 80; Sunday School teachers, 21.

Collections:

For Domestic Missions,	-	-	\$69 86
Diocesan Missionary Society,	-	-	26 75
Education	"	-	16 12

St. Paul's Church, Poughkeepsie, Dutchess county; the Rev. FREDERICK W. Hatch, Rector.

The spiritual interests of this Parish, it is believed, have not suffered any declension during the past year. By removals, the number of communicants reported at the last Convention would have been considerably diminished, but the Rector is thankful, that in this respect, his losses have been made good by additions, so that the present number may be stated as equal to that last reported.

Marriages, 2. Baptisms: 4 infants, and 2 adults—6. Communicants: added, 14; present number, 51. Funerals, 2.

St. John's Church, Johnstown, Fulton county; the Rev. SALMON WHEATON, D. D., Rector.

Baptisms: adult, 1; children, 4—5. Confirmed, 9. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 8. Communicants: added as new ones, 7; removed into the Parish, 1—8. died, 2; present number, 52. Catechumens, 54.

Contributions:

To the Missionary Fund of the Ed. and Miss. Soc.	\$13 00
" Diocesan Fund,	7 50

Remarks.—Divine service is regularly celebrated in this Church twice every Sunday, and occasionally three times; on all the Festivals and Fasts of the Church; on Wednesdays and Fridays during the season of Lent, and every day in Passion Week. The Holy Communion is administered monthly, and on the principal festivals. The children are instructed in the Catechism openly in the Church each week in Lent, and on other occasions.

The efforts made to revive this ancient and respectable Parish, have thus far, through the Divine blessing, been attended with a good degree of success. The services of the Church have been better attended, and the congregation has much increased.

Trinity Church, Athens, Greene county; the Rev. THOMAS MAL-LABY, Rector.

Baptisms, 2 children. Confirmed, none; the rite of Confirmation had been administered the year previous. Marriages, 3—one out of the Parish. Funerals, 5. Communicants: added as new, 1; removed into the Parish, 3; removed from the Parish, 8; present number, 80. Catechumens, with the Sunday scholars, 75—of this number, about 20 are instructed, "openly in the Church," in the Church Catechism, on the afternoon of communion days.

Contributions:

For Gen'l Domestic Missions,	-	-	\$6 00
" Churches at Southport, Wis., and Clinton, Mich.			28 00
" Theological Seminary,			5 00
" Education Department of the Ed. Miss. Soc.			4 56
" Missionary	"		5 00
" Diocesan Fund,	-	-	6 00
" Episcopal	"		2 00
" Sunday School of the Parish,	-	-	5 00
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			\$61 56

Remarks.—I was called to the Rectorship of this Church in November last. The Parish numbers about 75 families. Divine service has been celebrated twice on Sundays; on Christmas eve; on Christmas and Ash-Wednesday; on Good Friday; on occasion of the "National Fast," and on Thanksgiving Day. There has also been divine service once in the week preceding the Holy Communion, which is administered once in about seven weeks. The Church was also opened in Lent for prayers and lecture on Wednesday evenings—and daily for prayers through Passion Week.

There are eleven teachers and catechists engaged in the Sunday School.

St. Luke's Church, Catskill, Greene county; the Rev. JOSEPH F. PHILLIPS, Rector.

Persons baptized: adults, 5; children, 7—total, 12. Persons confirmed, 21. Marriages, 1. Burials, 9. Communicants: new ones added, 25; gained by removal, 2; lost by removal, 5; died, 1; present number, (72 last year, gain 21)—93. Catechumens: studying the Church Catechism, 45; elementary books, 40—total, 85—all belonging to the Sunday School.

Contributions:

Education Fund,	-	-	-	\$2 00
Missionary Fund,	-	-	-	16 00
Episcopal	"	-	-	5 00
Diocesan	"	-	-	3 83
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Remarks.—Divine service—The Holy Communion has been administered monthly, and at the Feasts of the Nativity, Easter, and Whitsuntide. Prayers

read and sermons preached twice on each Sunday (except Communion Sundays) and occasionally thrice, and once on each of the other Holy Days. Prayers on the Litany days of Lent, and daily during Passion Week. A course of lectures on the Acts of the Apostles has been delivered on the Wednesday evenings of the past year.

Catechetical—The children have been publicly catechized in the church on the afternoon of each of the twelve Communion Sundays. The Rector is assisted in their weekly instruction by an active and devoted Superintendent and seventeen teachers (5 male and 12 female) to whose pious exertions and fidelity he is happy to bear testimony. All is conducted under the Rector's personal supervision and direction.

Miscellaneous—There belong at present to the Parish, 54 families, who hold pews, or parts of pews, and about 20 regular individual worshippers, making about 250 persons. There are nine families who are irregular in their attendance, and hold no pews. Transient individual worshippers vary with the season, from ten to thirty or forty.

Our new church was opened for divine service on Thanksgiving Day, and the scattered flock has been again collected within its own sacred enclosure. Our deep gratitude is due to that God who has enabled this weak and exhausted parish to prosecute its pious enterprise, through so many embarrassments and discouragements, to a successful issue. The church was consecrated by the Right Rev. Diocesan, on the 10th of August last. It is of brick, painted to resemble stone: its ground dimensions, 42 by 65 feet, and it is much admired for the simple elegance of its plan and construction. It contains fifty pews on the floor, is furnished with a bell of peculiarly rich sound, and with a finely-toned and elegant organ.

The erection of this building, and the supply of its furniture, have imposed on the parish a debt of about two thousand dollars, which it has not the present means of liquidating. Unless the Vestry can successfully appeal to the Christian liberality of Churchmen around them, the parish must be seriously embarrassed in its fiscal affairs, for a long time to come. The Vestry are the more encouraged to hope for some aid from their brethren in abler parishes, when they consider the fact that no expense has been incurred by them which was not necessary to the decent and proper maintenance of the worship of the church in a conspicuous position.

The Rector has been happy to observe among his people, for some time past, a most decided increase of attention to the things which concern their everlasting peace. The issue has been a considerable accession to the number of communicants, and a marked improvement among the members of the church in practical piety. Among many things to discourage and depress, this has been to the Rector a source of strong encouragement, and a subject of devout thankfulness.

The "Ladies' Benevolent Society" continues its praiseworthy efforts in aid of the parish. The organ has been purchased and partly paid for by their exertions.

On the whole, the Rector reports that the state of the parish seems to be gradually improving, and he hopes, with God's blessing, to be able to give a better account of it in future than for some years past.

Trinity Church, Windham, Greene county; the Rev. ORIGEN P. HOLCOMB, late Rector.

Baptisms, infants, 3. Marriages, 1. Funeral, 5. New communicants, 1; added by removal, 1; died, 3; removals, 4; present number, 41.

Collections:

Diocesan Missionary Fund, - \$4 00

Remarks.—With the exception of four Sundays, when the Rector was absent, the services of the church have been regularly performed the past year. The Holy Communion has been administered ten times, and various extra services have been rendered, both in the church and in different sections of the parish.

I take occasion to add, that, having tendered my resignation of the Rectorship of this church, to the Board of Wardens and Vestrymen, the same has been duly accepted from this date. It affords me much pleasure to say, that in the ten years of my ministrations in the parish, I have experienced great kindness and support from all the members of the congregation, and that we separate with mutual respect and Christian affection.

Calvary Church, Brooklyn; the Rev. WILLIAM H. LEWIS, Rector.

Baptized: adult, 1; children, 35—total, 36. Marriages, 7. Funerals, 16. Communicants: added as new, 17; removed into the parish, 125; removed from the parish, 6; died, 1; present number, 135. Sunday School: scholars, 214; teachers, 31—total, 245.

Missionary collections:

Foreign and Domestic,

\$83 25

Other collections not made.

This church has been organized within the past year. The edifice formerly known as St. Paul's Church, was purchased by Edgar J. Bartow, Esq., with the design of opening it as a free church, and the present Rector was invited by him to engage in the attempt to form a new congregation, with the guarantee of pecuniary support on his own responsibility, for one year. The old building was much improved, furnished with a bell and organ, and comfortably fitted up by the proprietor; and, on the 15th of November, opened for public worship. The attendance was soon large enough to justify us in organizing a church, which was done under the name of Calvary Church; and the Wardens and Vestry then chosen, rented the building of the proprietor on easy terms, pledging themselves to keep it open as a free church until Easter, 1842, and confirmed the call to the Rector. In a few months, the accommodations were found insufficient, and Mr. Bartow, at the request of the Vestry, very cheerfully consented to enlarge them at his own expense. During most of the ten months that we have been in operation, the edifice has been undergoing improvements, without, however, interrupting a single service; and now that they are nearly completed, we are in possession of a place of worship of twice the former size, which will contain, galleries included, seven hundred or more, with a basement which will accommodate three hundred and fifty Sunday scholars. This enlarged church, for several months past, has been completely filled with a congregation, intelligent, respectable, and devout in appearance, among whom we have many proofs that the Spirit of God has been carrying on his new-creating work. The quiet, unobtrusive benevolence of the individual to whom we are so much indebted for our church accommodations, needs no praise; but it should be mentioned, that we are also greatly indebted to our brethren of other Episcopal congregations in Brooklyn, for their liberal contributions, and to their respective Rectors, for the kindest and most cordial co-operation with us in all our efforts. Our own people have opened a subscription, and from present appearances, we hope soon to be able to meet all our expenses; and could we find means to purchase the building which we now rent, we might at once sustain ourselves. We trust the same good Providence that has hitherto prospered us, will bring about this desired result; and that, at the close of another ecclesiastical year, Calvary Church may be ranked among the churches which are fully established, and able to assist in extending to others the aid she has herself received.

Christ Church, Brooklyn; the Rev. JOHN S. STONE, D. D., Rector.

The Rector, having entered on his present charge so lately as the fifth Sunday after Trinity of the current year, can report the state of the parish only since that date.

The congregation still assemble for worship in the chapel corner of Pacific and Court streets, which is found much too small for their number. It is hoped that the new church edifice, on Clinton street, will be ready for consecration

before Easter of the ensuing year, when ample accommodations will be furnished for them, and for the families who desire to connect themselves with the parish. The only contribution which has been made during the present rectorship, is that required by Canon, for the Missionary and Education Society of the Diocese, amounting to \$67 08. The present number of communicants, so far as it can be ascertained, is 175. Marriages since the 11th July, 1. Baptisms, 11. Burials, 3. The Sunday school of the parish consists of 150 pupils, and 21 teachers, and is considered in a flourishing condition. And in general, the whole state of the parish may be regarded as in a high degree prosperous.

St. Ann's Church, Brooklyn; the Rev. BENJAMIN C. CUTLER, D. D., Rector.

Baptisms: infants, 52: adults, 9—61. Marriages, 16. Deaths, 24. Communicants added, 36. Died, 7. Removed, 8. Whole number, about 400. Persons confirmed, 60. Sunday school,

No. I. 10 Male conductors, 23 Female conductors—33. Scholars, 315. Volumes in library, 850. Collection for Greek Mission, \$96 50.

No. II. 10 Male conductors; 15 Female—25. 213 scholars. In library, 400 volumes. Collections for African Mission, \$50 00. Whole number of teachers, 58; of scholars, 528; of books, 1250; of collections, \$146 50.

Contributions from the congregation for charitable and missionary purposes, \$2,236 48.

A Parish Library has been formed, and 225 volumes have been collected as a commencement.

Notwithstanding the increase of Episcopal churches in Brooklyn, there being now seven, the pews in St. Ann's continue to be fully occupied. The church may therefore be considered, by the blessing of God, in a flourishing condition.

St. John's Church, Brooklyn; the Rev. EVAN M. JOHNSON, Rector; the Rev. STEPHEN PATTERSON, Deacon, Assistant to the Rector.

Marriages, 30. Baptisms: adults, 3; children, 75—78. Actual number of resident communicants, 133. During the past year, 49 communicants have been added. Some have removed from the city; some have become attached to other churches recently organized in the city; and four have died. The Sunday school continues to flourish. Collections and contributions have been made for various charitable and religious objects, and particularly for those required by the Canons. The debt of the church has been reduced. Divine service has been celebrated on every Wednesday morning; and during Lent, on Fridays also. The children of the Parochial school assist in conducting the week day services. The school is in successful operation, under the charge of a candidate for Orders.

St. Mary's Church, Brooklyn; the Rev. JOSEPH HUNTER, Rector.

Baptising: adults, 1; children, 24—25. Confirmed, 5. Marriages, 6. Funerals, 5. Communicants, (added as new, 3; removed into the parish, 4)—present number, 27. Catechumens, 80.

Contributions:

The Education Fund of the Education and Missionary Society of the Diocese,	-	-	-	\$3 75
Missionary Fund of the same,	-	-	-	5 00
Sunday school of the parish,	-	-	-	21 00

Divine service has been performed twice on Sundays, and once each day in Passion Week, with the addition of a second service on Good Friday, and a service on Thanksgiving and Christmas days. The Holy Communion has been administered ten times. There are ten Catechists engaged in the Sunday school. The children of the Sunday school have been examined in the Church Catechism once a month.

The church building being found too small for the increase of the parish, the vestry, through the assistance of friends, have been enabled to put an addition of twenty-five feet on the rear, at the expense of about nine hundred dollars.

As a parish, we have much to excite our gratitude towards the Author and Giver of every good and perfect gift, for our temporal, and we trust, spiritual advancement during the past year.

Trinity Church, Brooklyn; (a vacant parish—reported by the Senior Warden.)

Baptisms since September, 1840, 4. Marriages, none recorded. Deaths, ditto. Communicants, none added. The Rectorship is now vacant. Public worship has thus far been regularly performed.

The church is not in flourishing circumstances.

St. Paul's Church, Flatbush King's, county; the Rev. WILLIAM BARLOW, Rector.

Baptized, children, 7. Marriages, 1. Funerals, 7. Communicants, 27. Catechumens, about 80.

The resources of this church are such as to render it inexpedient to contribute to any other object, at present, than its own support. Divine service has been regularly performed, twice on the Sunday; and occasionally during the past summer, the church has been open for a second evening service, when the pulpit has been supplied by visiting clergymen from the neighboring cities; and the attendance has been gratifying.

The Sunday school continues to flourish under the unwearied care of the founders of the church, aided by several of the younger members of the congregation. A Bible-class has been instituted by the Rector, and is well attended. The growth of the church is necessarily slow; but on the whole, its condition is more prosperous, and its prospects more encouraging, than they were at the time of the last report.

St. John's Church, Fort Hamilton, King's county; the Rev. J. DIXON CARDER, Rector.

Baptized, children, 2. Confirmed, 0. Funerals, 0. Communicants: added as a new communicant, 1; removed into the parish, 1; removed from the parish, 2—present number, 7. Catechumens, about 20.

Contributions:

To the Education Fund of the Education and Missionary Society of the Diocese,	\$2 45
To the Missionary Fund of the Education and Missionary Society of the Diocese,	5 19
To the Episcopal Fund,	1 03
To the Diocesan Fund,	1 09
To the New York Bible and Common Prayer Book Society,	2 10
To the Protestant Episcopal Tract Society,	2 14

And also to the Board of Missions and to other objects.

For the last two or three months, with aid from the Rev. W. P. Page, residing in Brooklyn, the church has been opened for divine service every Lord's day. The Rector continues to devote to the parish as much of his time and attention as is consistent with his duties to the Board of Missions, in whose service he is still engaged as the Secretary and General Agent of their Domestic Committee.

St. Mark's Church, Williamsburgh, King's county ; the Rev. SAMUEL M. HASKINS, Rector.

Baptisms, infants, 22. Confirmed, 8. Communicants : added as new communicants, 10 ; moved into the parish, 16 ; removed from the parish, 3—whole number, 67. Catechumens, 60. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 10.

Contributions :

Education Fund of the Education and Missionary	
Society of Diocese,	\$2 00
Missionary ditto,	2 00
Episcopal fund,	2 00
Diocesan Fund,	2 00
Collections for Sunday school,	6 50
Collections for defraying the church debt,	140 00

Remarks.—I am happy to say, that the church edifice, which at the time of my last report, was in progress of building, has since been completed, and was consecrated in April last. It is built of hammered stone, of the Gothic order of architecture, and is a fine specimen of that great desideratum of a country church—the union of economy with a durable material, a chasteness of taste, and a neatness and beauty of finish. In these respects, it does credit to the architect and artist, and to the building committee, and is an ornament to the village, the island, and the church. A bell has been placed in the tower by the kind exertions and industry of the Ladies' Sewing Society of the parish. The pews are nearly all rented, and the congregation continually increasing.

Divine services have been performed twice on every Sunday, with the addition of a third service and weekly lecture during Lent. The church has also been open for services on Wednesdays and Fridays during Lent, and on every day of Passion Week, and on the principal holy days of the church. Sermons and services on the special days of Fasting and Thanksgiving appointed by the Church—and a sermon preparatory to the communion on the Friday preceding the first Sunday in the month, at which time it is regularly administered. The children of the Sunday school have been catechised by the Rector on the first Sunday of every month. There are nine teachers in the Sunday school.

All Saints' Church, New York ; the Rev. BENJAMIN I. HAIGHT, Rector ; the Rev. ALBERT D. TRAVER, Assistant Minister.

Baptisms : adults, 8 ; children, 81—total, 89. Confirmed in the Church of the Nativity, 19, Marriages, 9. Funerals, 26—of the parish, 17. Communicants : added as new communicants, 23 ; removed into the parish, 13 ; removed from the parish, 15 ; died, 4—present number, 274. Catechumens, 80. Sunday scholars, 321, under the care of 52 teachers.

Contributions :

Education Fund of the Diocese,	\$80 00
Missionary Fund,	56 75
Episcopal Fund,	20 00
Diocesan Fund,	37 50
N. Y. Bible and Common Prayer Book Society,	60 00
Protestant Episcopal Tract Society,	50 00
General Theological Seminary,	50 00
General Protestant Episcopal Sunday School Union,	50 00
Board of Missions of Protestant Episcopal Church,	
Domestic, including contribution to Bp. Otey's Sem'y,	365 75
Foreign,	145 44
Parish Sunday school,	50 00
Other objects,	313 18
Aims to the poor,	439 80

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There has been divine service twice on every Sunday, and occasionally three times; also, on the morning of every Holy Day; twice in the week preceding each monthly communion; twice on every day during Lent and Passion Week, and three times on Good Friday. There has also been divine service on every Friday evening, except during the summer, and on every Wednesday morning throughout the year, except during the month of August, with a catechetical lecture to the young. The Holy Communion has been administered on the Festivals of Christmas, Easter, Whitsunday, and on the first Sunday of every month. The children of the parish have been catechised openly in the church on the afternoon of every third Sunday in the month. A course of instruction was also given to the candidates for Confirmation, preparatory to the reception of that holy rite. The number of catechists who aid the Pastor in Sunday school instruction, is 52—whom, as in former years, he has continued to meet once a month for devotional exercises, and counsel as to their duty.

The Rector was absent, by the kind permission of the Vestry, from the first of June until the nineteenth of September, on a visit to England, accompanying the Bishop of New Jersey. During this time, the parish enjoyed the acceptable public services of the Reverend William Morris, in addition to those of the Assistant Minister of the Parish, and the private pastoral care of his esteemed friend and brother, the Rev. Mr. Peers, until his health forbade his labors. To the Rev. Mr. Peers we are also much indebted for very valuable aid rendered at various times in the Male Parochial School, to which the Assistant Minister mainly devotes his time and energies.

The Church of the Annunciation, New York; the Rev. SAMUEL SEABURY, D. D., Rector.

Baptisms: adults, 9; children, 38—total, 47. Confirmed, 47. Funerals, 6. Marriages, 4. Communicants, (about) 100. Catechumens, —. There being no convenient accommodations for a Sunday school, that of this parish is united with one in the neighborhood, under the charge of the City Missionary at large.

Contributions:

Education Fund of the Education and Missionary Society of this Diocese,	\$29 79
Missionary Fund of ditto, by two several collections,	38 15
Diocesan Fund,	14 16
Episcopal Fund,	8 55
Sunday Schools,	15 25
For the Poor, (about)	51 00
Domestic Branch of the Domestic and Foreign Mission Society, (stormy day.)	14 41
Towards the purchase of an Organ,	837 72
For making the Rector a Patron of the New York Bible and Common Prayer Book Society,	100 00
Total,	\$1109 03

Divine service has been celebrated twice on Sundays, and once on Holy days. The Sacrament of the Altar has been administered on the first Sunday of every month, and on the chief festivals.

In addition to the contributions already mentioned, the Rector wishes to record his grateful sense of the liberality of JOHN F. RANDOLPH, Esq., who, in addition to other good offices, gave the organ, (valued at three hundred dollars,) which he had before procured for the use of the church, towards the purchase of a new organ.

Church of the Ascension, New York; the Rev. MANTON EASTBURN, D. D., Rector.

The Rector has the satisfaction of reporting, that the new Parish Church in the 5th Avenue, cor. 10th st., is now nearly completed, and will be ready for consecra-

tion in a few weeks. During the past year, divine service has been held in the Chapel of the New York University, in University Place. Owing to the inadequate dimensions, however, of this Chapel, the congregation have been only in part accommodated, and great inconvenience has been experienced. The Rector finds it impossible, under the peculiar circumstances in which the parish has been placed, since the destruction of the former church by fire, to state with accuracy the number of communicants. At the last Triennial Confirmation in the parish, 64 persons received that sacred rite. The baptisms during the past year, have been (infants, 24; adults, 4)—28. Marriages, 11. Funerals, 15.

Besides other benevolent contributions, the following canonical collections have been made:

Education and Missionary Fund,	\$181 23
Diocesan Fund,	50 00

Calvary Church, New York; the Rev. CHARLES JONES, Rector.

Baptisms: adults, 3; infants, 7—total, 10. Confirmed, 10. Marriages, 1. Burials, 8. Catechumens, about 100. Communicants: added as new, 6; removed into the parish, 4; removed from the parish, 16; died, 1—present number, 33.

Collections:

For the Education Society,	\$2 51
Missionary Society,	4 00
Diocesan Fund,	2 51
From the Sunday school children for Dom. Missions,	4 12

Donations:

To the Benevolent Society,	61 19
Bible and Prayer Book Society,	10 00
Diocesan Missionary Society,	10 00

Total, \$94 33

This parish has suffered greatly from removals during the last year. Its Sunday school has, however, been in a prosperous state; and by the means of the Benevolent Society, connected therewith, more good has been effected than at any former period.

Divine service has been held in the church twice every Lord's day, as well as on the usual fasts and festivals of the Church. The Holy Communion has been administered regularly once in each month, and also on Easter day and Whitsunday. Addresses have occasionally been delivered, by the Rector, to the Sunday school children—who likewise have been publicly examined and instructed, by him, in the Church Catechism.

Christ Church, New York; the Rev. THOMAS LYELL, D.D., Rector; the Rev. ISAAC PECK, Assistant Minister.

The condition of this parish is much the same as at the last Convention. Sixteen families have been added to the congregation within the last year; and almost as many have removed, principally in consequence of having changed their residence to the upper part of the city. The number of communicants is about 153. Baptisms the last year, 49. Marriages, 47. And the whole amount of collections for various public objects, \$755. On the whole, we are encouraged to believe, not only that we shall, by the blessing of God, be sustained, but be enabled to report ourselves in a few years, as prosperous and flourishing.

St. Andrew's Church, New York; the Rev. JAMES R. BAYLEY, Rector.

Baptisms: adults, 1; infants, 17. Marriages, 2. Burials in the Parish church-yard, 7. Communicants, about 35. There is a regular Catechetical

School connected with the parish, to which I attend myself, with the assistance of six teachers.

This parish has of late been heavily burdened with assessments; and of the remaining contributions, part have been spent upon our school, and part added to the charity fund. It is intended, with the coming ecclesiastical year, to introduce the regular monthly collections, to be divided among the different Church and Diocesan institutions, which are supported in this manner.

St. Bartholomew's Church, New York; the Rev. LEWIS P. W. BALCH, Rector.

Baptized: adults, 5; infants, 56—total, 61. Confirmed, 40. Marriages, 14. Funerals, 28. Communicants: added as new communicants, 32; removed into the parish, 34; removed from the parish, 12; died, 6—present number, 250. Catechumens: children of Parish School, 64; children of Sunday school, 150—total, 214.

Contributions:

Education Fund of the Education and Missionary Society of the Diocese,	-	-	\$53 32
Missionary Fund of the Education and Missionary Society of the Diocese,	-	-	53 32
The Episcopal Fund,	-	-	17 50
The Diocesan Fund,	-	-	17 50
Board of Missions of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the U. S.,—Domestic,	-	-	148 00
Ditto, Foreign,	-	-	100 00
Sunday school purposes,	-	-	156 28
Parish School,	-	-	324 36
Parish objects,	-	-	898 00
For Bishop Otey's Female Institute,	-	-	288 00
For Bishop Kemper's College, contributed by the Young Ladies of Mrs. Okill's Boarding-school,	-	-	108 62
Contribution made in the parish for two benevolent objects,	-	-	450 00

Besides the above, there have been several anniversaries held in the Church of St. Bartholomew's, for the City Mission Society, and others, at which collections were made, amounting in all to \$978. These, of course, are exclusive of the communion alms.

Services: Sunday, morning and afternoon, and occasionally in the evening, Thanksgiving day, Christmas, Epiphany, Ash Wednesday, and Good Friday. Prayers every morning during Lent. Communion, first Sunday in every month, and Christmas day. Lecture every Wednesday evening from October to March, inclusive.

St. Clement's Church, New York; the Rev. EDWARD N. MEAD, Rector.

In consequence of the absence abroad of the late lamented Rector, no report was made from this Church at the last Convention. The present Rector now supplies that omission, as far as the information in his possession will enable him to do so.

It has pleased Almighty God to remove from his Church on earth, the Rev. Lewis Pintard Bayard, D. D., the late Rector of this Church. He left this country to visit the Holy Land, in fulfilment of a purpose, long cherished in his heart, to see the places made sacred by the life and death of our blessed Redeemer. He was permitted to enjoy this high gratification, but the fatigues and exposure incident to travelling in an Eastern clime during an unfavorable season, brought upon him a fever, which terminated his life at the island of Malta, on the 2d of September, A. D. 1840. He was a man of exemplary piety and usefulness—well-beloved not only by his own flock, but by all who knew

him. In 1830, under the encouragement of the late Bishop Hobart, of cherished memory, he gathered together the congregation of St. Clement's Church, and for them he continued uninterruptedly to minister, as a faithful shepherd, amid no inconsiderable difficulties and discouragements, until the time of his departure. Ardently and sincerely attached to the Church, not from early education, but from the dictates of his mature judgment, he devoted all the energies of his mind and body with unwearied assiduity to the fulfilment of the duties of his office.

A letter received from him by the present Rector, then temporarily in charge of St. Clement's Church, but received too late to attend to his wish, contained the following request :

"If this should reach you before the Convention, I wish you to add the following to your report of St. Clement's Church.

"On board Siddons, Atlantic : preached three Sunday mornings, and held Sunday school. Ditto in the Mediterranean, in the French language, once. Ditto at Alexandria. Baptized one infant. Funerals, two.

"At Alexandria, founded a school for instruction in Oriental languages—Rev. Benjamin Marshal, Principal, who also desires to become a candidate for Orders in the Protestant Episcopal Church in the U. S. of America.

(Signed)

"L. P. BAYARD,

"Rector of St. Clement's Church, City of N. Y."

In addition to the above, the Rector reports the following statistics for the year preceding the last. Other collections may have been made, of which he is not informed, viz. :

For Diocesan Missionary Fund,	-	\$48 38
Education Fund,	-	29 97
New York Protestant Episcopal Tract Society,	-	10 85
Bible and Common Prayer Book Society,	-	20 25
General Theological Seminary,	-	10 62
For education of a Beneficiary,	-	50 00

Baptisms : infants, 47 ; adults, 6—total, 53. Confirmed, 56. Marriages, 10.

The present Rector has had the permanent charge of the parish since February last. During his charge, he has to report as follows :

Baptisms : infants, 43 ; adults, 3—total, 46. Marriages, 14. Funerals, 17. The present number of communicants, as near as can be ascertained, is about 175. The number of Sunday scholars, about 200. Teachers, 30.

Collections :

For Diocesan Missionary Fund,	-	\$53 31
Education Fund,	-	25 50
Diocesan Fund,	-	15 00
Episcopal Fund,	-	5 00
General Theological Seminary,	-	30 17
New York Protestant Episcopal Tract Society,	-	12 00
For Western Missions,	-	15 00
For Parochial Sunday school,	-	125 00
For pious and benevolent uses,	-	1000 00

Total, \$1280 98

The Rector humbly trusts that the condition of this parish is improving, and under the Divine blessing, will continue to improve, both temporally and spiritually.

French Church du St. Esprit, New York ; the Rev. ANTOINE VERREN, Rector.

Baptisms, 23. Marriages, 12. Communicants, about 60.

St. George's Church, New York; the Rev. JAMES MILNOR, D. D., Rector; the Rev. JAMES W. COOKE, Assistant Minister.

Communicants: added, 49; died, 5; removed, 29; present number on the Parish Register, 447. Baptisms: adults, 7; infants, 52—total, 59. Marriages, 45. Funerals, 25. Sunday School children, above 300.

Contributions, exclusive of communion collections, and several appropriations not necessary to be stated in this report:

Missionary Fund of the Ed. & Miss. Soc. of the Diocese,	\$100 00
Education Fund of said Society,	50 00
Diocesan Fund, - - - - -	30 00
Episcopal " - - - - -	36 68
Foreign Missionary Com. of the Prot. Epis. Church, -	500 00
Domestic " " " " " " " " " " " "	500 00
General Prot. Epis. Sunday School Union, - - -	50 00
New York Bible and Prayer Book Society, - - -	50 00
General Theological Seminary, - - -	58 05
Protestant Episcopal City Mission Society, - - -	100 00
Sunday Schools of St. George's Church, - - -	249 56
Candidates for orders, beneficiaries of St. George's Church,	205 00

Total, - - - \$1,929 29

Remarks.—There has been no material variation in the services of the church from those reported last year. Monthly administrations of the Holy Communion have been continued. The sacred rite was also administered on the Feast of the Nativity; and on the first Sunday after Easter, by the Right Rev. Bishop of the Diocese, on the occasion of an ordination held by him in St. George's Church. The two classes of catechumens, consisting principally of the pupils in the Sunday Schools, have been examined by the Rector, except during the summer months, publicly in the church, after evening prayer on the first Sunday in each month. A quarterly sermon has been preached to the children of the Sunday Schools and congregation, by the Assistant Minister; who has also instructed a Bible Class on Sunday evenings during a portion of the year. The week-day evening lecture has been held in the lecture room, except in the week preceding the communion, when it has been delivered in church—prayers and the baptism of infants having been attended to on the preceding Wednesday forenoon. During the season of Lent, prayers were read in the church on every Wednesday and Friday forenoon, followed by a portion of the venerable Homilies of the Church; and in the evening of those days, divine service was performed, and a lecture delivered in the lecture room. In Passion Week, besides these duties, service was held in the church, and a sermon preached every night. On Good Friday forenoon, we were favored with a sermon from the Bishop of the Diocese.

Although circumstances, arising out of the location of the church, continue to cause secessions of many of its former attendants, their places have hitherto been generally soon supplied, so that there still remains a large congregation, including, it is hoped, a respectable proportion of deeply devoted members of the church, who contribute with commendable liberality to the support of her charitable institutions.

St. Luke's Church, New York; the Rev. JOHN MURRAY FORBES, Rector.

Baptisms: adults, 3; children, 98—total, 101. Marriages, 19. Funerals, 33. Communicants, 260.

Contributions:

For Domestic Missions—

To Domestic Branch of Miss. Soc'y, -	\$210 00
To Diocesan Missionary Society, -	100 00
City Mission, - - - - -	51 41
To Diocese of Illinois, through Bp. Chase,	31 50 — \$392 91

For Foreign Missions—		
To the Foreign Branch of Miss. Society,	- - -	210 00
Education Society of the Diocese,	- - -	100 00
Towards the Endowment of a Professorship of Pastoral Theology and Pulpit Eloquence in the General Theolo- gical Seminary,	- - -	200 00
Protestant Episcopal Tract Society,	- - -	34 14
New York Bible and Common Prayer Book Society,	- - -	48 13
Diocesan Fund,	- - -	22 50
For Family of a Deceased Clergyman.	- - -	128 03
Alms for the Poor,	- - -	369 21
Collections for Sunday School purposes,	- - -	263 37
For Parochial objects,	- - -	308 64
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Remarks.—There has been divine service in St. Luke's Church on all the Sundays of the year except two, when the Church was being cleaned; and, in addition, service and a lecture on the Wednesday evening of each week from October to May.

The Holy Communion has been administered on the second Sunday in every month, and on the Festivals of Christmas, Easter, and Whitsunday.

During the season of Lent, there was morning service twice in the week (on Wednesdays and Fridays) with a lecture on the former day. Through Passion Week there was daily morning and evening prayer.

The children of the congregation are catechised openly in the church on the Saturday afternoon of every week, from Easter to Advent.

The Sunday School (confined chiefly now to the children of the poor) continues its usefulness. Teachers and officers, 54; children attending, 250—number of volumes in the Library, (including 300 just added) 2,800.

This parish, during the past year, has been blessed not only with entire tranquility, but also, it is hoped, with much of *spiritual*, as well as temporal prosperity.

St. Mark's Church, New York; the Rev. HENRY ANTHON, D. D., Rector.

Baptisms: adults, 2; infants, 29—total, 31. Confirmed at St. Mark's, 49; elsewhere, 2—total, 51. Marriages, 15. Funerals, (five of parishioners) 136. Communicants: new, 30; from other parishes, 5; removed, 30; died, 4; present number, 200. Catechumens: infant and Sunday School, 197; Fall and Spring Chancel Class, (under 12) 50; Saturday Bible Class, (over 12 years) 15, and adults, 25. Wednesday evening lectures, six months. Contributions, \$2,000.

St. Peter's Church, New York; the Rev. HUGH SMITH, D. D., Rector.

Marriages, 24. Baptisms: adults, 7; children, 99—total, 106. Funerals, at which the Rector has officiated, 35; of which number, were of the parish, 24. Communicants: added, 40; of which number, 19 were new, and 21 received from other parishes; removed, 33; died, 3—total, 36; present number, about 194.

The canonical collections have all been made in the parish, besides others for the Domestic and Foreign Mission Society of the Protestant Episcopal Church, the General Theological Seminary, and the Sunday School of the parish.

The church, having been relieved, during the past year, of a considerable part of its oppressive debt, may be considered as in a prosperous and encouraging state.

St. Stephen's Church, New York ; the Rev. JOSEPH H. PRICE, Rector.

Baptized : adults, 8 ; infants, 20—28. Marriages, 20. Funerals, 17. Communicants added, 30 ; died, 3 ; removed, 3 ; present number, 289.

The Rector regrets, that, having mislaid his record of the contributions, he is unable to state the amount except of the City Mission, which was three hundred and thirty dollars. He has made all the canonical collections, and some not required by the Canons. The whole amount, he thinks, is not far from two thousand five hundred dollars.

The services have not varied from those of the last year. The present church has been pronounced, by the Vestry, unfit for repairs ; and the experience of three years has shown that it is too small for the congregation.

St. Thomas' Church, New York ; the Rev. FRANCIS L. HAWES, D. D., Rector ; the Rev. ISAAC PARDEE, Assistant Minister.

Marriages, 31 ; baptisms : adults, 6, infants, 83, 89 ; funerals, 32 ; communicants, 452 ; Sunday and infant school teachers, 60 ; scholars, 800.

Collections have been made for the Diocesan and Episcopal funds, for the Education and Missionary Society, besides several others for general and special purposes.

It has been impossible to keep an entirely accurate list of the communicants ; but it is believed that the number much exceeds that reported. The congregation continues large, united and prosperous.

Trinity Church, including St. Paul's and St. John's Chapels, New York ; the Rev. WILLIAM BERRIAN, D. D., Rector ; the Rev. JONATHAN M. WAINWRIGHT, D. D., and the Rev. EDWARD Y. HIGBEE, Assistant ministers.

Baptisms : adults 7 ; children, 137—total, 144. Confirmed, 80. Marriages, 46. Funerals, 160. Communicants, 800. Catechumens, 160. Sunday scholars, 325.

Contributions :

Female Ass. of St. Paul's Chapel, for the Ed.	
Fund of the Ed. and Miss. Soc. of the Diocese.	\$13 00
For the Missionary Fund,	65 50
Miss. Fund of the E. and M. Soc. of the Diocese :	
St. Paul's,	124 90
St. John's,	139 05
The Episcopal Fund :	
St. Paul's,	90 07
St. John's,	70 72
N. Y. Bible and Com. P. Book Soc :	
St. John's,	80 19
The Pro. E. Tract Soc. :	
St. Paul's,	72 57
St. John's,	65 42
The General Theological Seminary :	
St. John's,	61 97
St. Paul's,	164 26
The City Mission Society :	
St. Paul's,	158 12
St. John's,	130 53
Young Men's Aux. Ed. and Miss. Soc. :	
St. Paul's,	100 00
St. John's,	51 00

Divine Service celebrated twice on Sundays.

A Sunday Evening Lecture in one of the Chapels for six months in the year, and a Wednesday morning lecture for about the same time in the other.

Prayers in both on Wednesdays and Fridays, and all the festivals and Fasts of the Church throughout the year.

Communion administered eight times.

Children instructed in the Church Catechism in the Church once a week, for several months in the year.

Zion Church, New York; the Rev. WILLIAM RICHMOND, Rector.

Baptisms : infants, 64 ; adults, 2—66. Marriages, 9. Funerals, 14. Communicants : added, 30 ; died, 2 ; removed, 8—200. Catechumens : Sunday scholars, 350 ; Bible class, 25.

Missionary Fund of the N. Y. Ed. and Miss. Soc.,	\$20 00
Education do. - - - - -	17 63
Episcopal Fund, - - - - -	11 00
Diocesan Fund, - - - - -	18 00
Collections for the Sunday School, - - -	140 24
“ for the Poor, - - - - -	413 00
Other collections in the Church for Church objects,	800 00

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Divine service has been celebrated twice on every Sunday, and twice on every Wednesday during the year. During the season of Lent, there were many additional services ; and in Passion week, services were held every day.

The children have been instructed in the Church by the Rector on nearly every Sunday throughout the year.

The number of Catechists connected with the Sunday School and Bible Class is about 50.

The families, not connected with the Congregation, visited this year, under the direction of the Rector, as reported to him about 600.

As there are more than 300 free sittings in the galleries of this Church, and the neighboring population frequently changes, it is difficult to state exactly the number of communicants. It probably amounts to more than 200.

St. James' Church, Goshen, Orange co. ; the Rev. JESSE AMES SPENCER, Rector.

Baptized, infants, 3. Confirmed, 2. Marriages, 5. Funerals, 4. Communicants : removed, 5 ; added, 2 new and 6 from other parishes—total added, 8. died 1. Present number, 43. Families, 44. Adult members of the Congregation, 138. Catechumens, 34. Sunday School Scholars, about 50. Sunday School Teachers, 11.

Contributions :

Education Fund of the Diocese, - - -	\$10 00
Missionary Fund, - - - - -	16 00
Second Contribution to the same, - - -	18 12
Episcopal Fund, - - - - -	12 12
Diocesan Fund, - - - - -	7 50
N. Y. Bible and Com. Prayer Book Society., - -	11 00
Prot. Episcopal Tract Society, - - - -	9 00
Sunday School of the parish, - - - - -	18 38

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This Church has been open for Divine service, both morning and afternoon, every Sunday throughout the year, except that during the severity of the winter the Church was closed in the afternoon. In addition, the principal festivals and fasts ; as Christmas, Easter, Ascension Day, Whit-Sunday, Ash Wednesday, and Good Friday, and all other days appointed by the civil or ecclesiastical authority, have been duly observed, and sermons delivered specially adapted to the season or occasion. During Lent, the Church was open for prayers every Friday. The children of the parish are instructed by the Rector in the Church

Catechism, on the afternoon of the first Sunday of every month, immediately after prayers, this exercise taking the place of the sermon. There have been procured, by donations and otherwise, new prayer books for the desk and altar, with 8vo psalms and hymns; a Bible and prayer book for the pulpit; a side table for the elements for the holy communion, before they are placed on the altar by the priest; a new surplice and scarf, &c. During the past year, the holy communion has been administered but five times, as the Rector was only in Deacon's orders: in future, however, it is intended to administer the sacrament of the Lord's Supper regularly on the first Sunday of every month. I deeply regret to say that there has been but little increase to the Church in point of numbers, the attendance being very much the same as it was a year ago; and that the temporal but especially the spiritual state of the parish presents many and great difficulties and discouragements, which, it is humbly hoped, the Bishop and Shepherd of souls, in His own good time, will remove.

St. George's Church, Newburgh, and St. Thomas' Church, New Windsor, Orange co.; the Rev. JOHN BROWN, D. D., Rector.

Baptisms; children, 30. Marriages, 8. Funerals, 32. Communicants: added as new communicants, 6; removed into the parish, 3; died, 2; removed from the parish, 11; present number, 117.

Contributions:

The Ed. Fund of the Ed. and Miss. Soc. of the Diocese,	\$20 00
The Miss. Fund of the Ed. and Miss. Soc. of the Diocese,	40 09
The Domestic Department of the Foreign and Domestic Miss. Soc.,	28 00
The Episcopal Fund,	17 00
The Diocesan Fund,	12 00
The General Theological Seminary,	26 30

St. Andrews' Church, Walden, Orange co.; the Rev. HENRY W. SWEETZER, Rector.

Baptized: children, 13. Marriage, 1. Funerals, 3. Communicants: added, as new, 3; removed into the Parish, 2; removed from the parish, 3; present number, 41. Catechumens, 50.

Contributions;

Ed. Fund of Ed. and Miss. Soc.	\$3 92
Miss. Fund of Ed. and Miss. Soc.,	3 92
Domestic Missions,	6 76
Foreign Missions,	4 32

Total, \$18 92

Remarks.—Divine service has been celebrated, generally, morning and evening, on Sunday. The principal festivals and fasts have been observed. The communion is administered on the first Sunday in each month. Seven Catechists.

The Church in this region is increasing in the favorable regard of surrounding denominations. Our congregation is larger than at some previous reports.

Zion Church, Louisville, Otsego co.; the Rev. AMOS B. BEACH, Rector.

Baptized: adults, 2; infants, 2—total, 4. Marriages, 7. Funerals, 4. Communicants: new added, 10; removed into the parish, 3—total added, 13; removed from the parish, 4—present number, 135.

The teachers in the Sunday School, 24 in number, form a class which is met by the Rector once in each week, for the purpose of catechetical instruction. There are about 100 Sunday School scholars who attend the school.

Collections :

Diocesan Miss. Society,	\$9 50
“ Education Society,	5 35
Foreign Missions,	3 55
Contributed for the liquidation of a debt against the parish,	200 00
To improve the music of the Church,	125 00
For other parochial purposes,	180 00

Total, \$523 40

In addition to the above, the Ladies' Industrious Society of the parish have, with commendable zeal, procured a marble font and slab for the altar, and, at considerable expense, thoroughly refurnished and refitted the pulpit and reading desk, in a most chaste and beautiful manner.

There is now making an effort, with good promise of success, to procure a new organ in the place of an old one which has proved unfit for use.

During the past year, the Rector has preached twice on each Sunday, and on the first Sunday in each month, during the summer, has held a third service at New Lisbon, a village four miles distant from the Church. In addition, he has preached twelve discourses at funeral occasions.

Upon a review of the past, the Rector feels devoutly grateful to the Great Head of the Church, that His blessing has been with him in his labors, and derives no small degree of satisfaction from the fact, that for several years past the Church in Louisville has never been in as prosperous a condition as at present.

St. Matthew's Church, Unadilla, Otsego co. ; the Rev. NORMAN H. ADAMS, Rector.

Baptisms : adults, 3 ; infants, 4—total 7. Marriages, 10. Funerals, 11. Communicants : added, 3 ; removed into the parish, 1 ; died, 1 ; suspended, 1—whole number, 106. Sunday Scholars, about 80.

Contributions :

Episcopal Tract Society, after sermon,	\$8 00
After a sermon preached before the Female Miss. Society,	7 50
From the Female Missionary Society of St. Matthew's Church,	14 00
Episcopal Fund,	1 00
Diocesan Fund,	7 00

Total, \$38 00

The Church has been opened for Divine service every Sunday throughout the year, and every Wednesday evening through the season of Lent, and on most of the holy days.

St. Philip's Church, Philipstown, and St. Mary's Church, in the Highlands, Cold Spring, Putnam co. ; the Rev. EBENEZER WILLIAMS, Rector.

St. Philip's.—Baptized : adults, 7 ; children, 16—total, 23. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 4. Communicants : added 5 ; removed into the parish, 9 ; removed from the parish, 9 ; died, 2—present number, 27. Sunday Scholars, 30, with efficient teachers.

Contributions :

Education and Domestic Missionary Society,	\$6 25
Domestic Missionary,	4 00
Prot. Epis. Tract Society,	4 05
N. Y. Bible and Prayer Book Society,	3 11
Foreign Missionary,	3 00

During the last year, in addition to the regular morning service on Sundays, the Church was opened at Christmas, Good Friday, Thanksgiving Day, and the National Fast. The Holy Communion has been frequently administered. The Sunday School is under the superintendence of the Rector; the children are regularly instructed in the Catechism, which they are in the habit of repeating before the congregation; are instructed in different parts of Scripture, and to respond in the Church service. A class of candidates for confirmation is in course of preparation for the visitation of the Right Reverend Bishop of the Diocese, which is expected soon. The Ladies' Sewing Society still continues to render very acceptable and efficient efforts in behalf of the Sunday Scholars, and the indigent of the parish.

The Rector has preached and officiated at two funerals, eastward of this parish; also at West Point, visited the sick, baptized two persons, administered the Holy Eucharist in a sick chamber, and officiated at the funeral of Lieut. Breasford.

This parish is doing as well as can be expected. It has exceeded the expectation of its friends, and although small, compared with others, its influence has been salutary in the promotion of Divine truth and order. Its growth is not rapid, but sure; and through its instrumentality, a few, it is trusted, have been "added to the church of such as shall be saved."

St. Mary's.—Baptisms: children, 11. Marriages, 6. Funerals, 25. Communicants: died, 1; removed from the parish, 1—present number, 13.

The afternoon service is performed in the Presbyterian Chapel.

The ravages of sickness and death, and the removal of some of the most valuable friends and supporters of our Church in this village, have appeared to cast a gloom over its temporal prospects; but it is hoped that this depression is but for a season, and that temporal difficulties will be amply compensated by spiritual blessing. In a spiritual view, it is humbly believed that the condition of the Church is encouraging. There is a numerous and regular attendance, and the attention which is paid to the Liturgy of the Church, and the preaching of the word, is highly gratifying.

Our edifice will be ready for consecration after the General Convention; it is a brick Gothic Church, 28 1-2 by 45 feet, exclusive of a tower, bearing a spire; having a bell of nine hundred and ten pounds weight.

Among the regular attendants on Divine service, there is evidently an increased attachment to Church principles, and the Rector would humbly hope, a corresponding increase of piety; and the completion of our little neat edifice will enable us to conduct our services with greater satisfaction and advantage.

St. George's Church, Astoria, Queen's co.; the Rev. JOHN W. BROWN, Rector.

Baptisms: infants 16; adults, 4—20. Confirmed, 7. Communicants: added, 7—total 42. Catechists, including Superintendent, 13. Catechumens, about 60.

Divine service twice on every Lord's day. A weekly lecture on Wednesday evening. Lecture preparatory to the Communion, on the Friday evening preceding the second Sunday in every month. No collections have been made for purposes extraneous to the parish; but a pledge for a small amount has been given to a destitute parish in this Diocese. About \$20 in money and books has been given to the parochial Sunday School, and \$103 raised towards freeing the Church from a small remaining debt. This parish, it is hoped, will, next year, be in a condition to contribute its proportion to the general objects of the Church.

The Lord has continued to vouchsafe his blessing, and the present prospects of this Church are highly encouraging.

The Rector, as the presiding officer of the Astoria Female Institute, is happy to add, that this institution has, during the past year, enjoyed an unusual share of prosperity. The number of its pupils has been considerably increased, and increased efficiency has been given to its several departments of instruction.

At the annual visitation in June last, three of its pupils were admitted to the holy rite of confirmation.

St. George's Church, Flushing, Queen's co. ; the Rev. FREDERICK J. GOODWIN, Rector.

Baptisms : adults, 2 ; infants, 20—total, 22 Marriages, 5. Funerals, 10. Communicants : added as new communicants, 12 ; removed into the parish, 9 ; removed from the parish, 1 ; died, 3—present number, 168. Catechumens, 140.

Contributions :

The Episcopal Fund,	\$10 00
Diocesan Fund,	10 00
Bible and Common Prayer Book Society,	25 25
Protestant Episcopal Tract Society,	25 25
General Theological Seminary,	25 00
Domestic Missions,	84 25
Foreign Missions,	41 54
Kemper College,	76 25
Aid to three feeble Churches,	90 00
Sunday School of the Parish,	80 75
Parochial Purposes,	70 00
For the Poor,	110,00

Total, \$648 29

In addition to the above contributions, six hundred dollars have been secured to the Church, through the erection of some vaults on a portion of the church-yard. The Parish, in a temporal and spiritual point of view, there is reason to believe, is highly prosperous. Divine service has been celebrated twice on every Lord's day, and during six months of the year, on every Friday evening. The service of the Church has also been performed and a sermon delivered on Thanksgiving day—on Christmas—on New Year's Day—on Ash Wednesday—twice on Good Friday, and once on every other day in Passion week. The holy communion is administered the first Sunday of every month. The children of the parish are examined every Lord's day on appointed portions of the Scripture and catechism. They have also, several times during the year, been examined by the Rector openly in the Church. The number of scholars connected with the Sunday School is about 140, under 20 teachers, to assist the Rector, as Superintendent.

St. George's Church, Hempstead, including Trinity Chapel, Rockaway, Queen's co. ; the Rev. WILLIAM M. CARMICHAEL, D. D., Rector.

Baptisms : adults, 1 ; children, 9—total, 10. Marriages, 10. Burials : adults, 13 ; children, 7—20. Sunday School Scholars, St. George's Church, 50. S. School Teachers in St. George's Church, 8. Sunday School Scholars in Trinity Chapel, Rockaway, 56. Sunday School Teachers, in do. 10.

Contributions :

Monthly offering for Domestic Missions,	\$ 20 50
“ Foreign Missions,	12 50
Collection for Missionary and Education Society,	11 50
“ Episcopal Fund,	3 28
“ Diocesan “	3 28

Grace Church, Jamaica, Queen's co. ; the Rev. WM. L. JOHNSON, Rector.

Baptisms : adults, 1 ; children, 9—total, 10. Marriages, 7. Funerals, 8. Communicants : added, 4 ; removed, 2 ; died, 3 ; present number, 86. Catechumens, 34.

Contributions :

The Education Fund of the Education and Missionary Society of the Diocese,	\$11 05
The Missionary Fund of the Education and Missionary Society of the Diocese,	19 29
The Episcopal Fund,	5 00
The Diocesan Fund,	5 00
The N. Y. Bible and Common Prayer Book Society,	16 05
Appropriation by Ladies' Missionary Association, for	
Illinois,	100 00
Tennessee,	115 00
African Mission,	5 00

Service twice every Lord's day—on Friday before communion, and on the principal festivals and fasts throughout the year.

Christ Church, Manhasset, and St. Paul's Church, Glen Cove, Queen's co.; the Rev. JAMES P. F. CLARKE, Rector.

Christ Church.—Baptisms : adults, 6 ; children, 10—total, 16. Confirmed, none. Marriages, 5. Funerals, 18. Communicants : added as new, 8 ; removed into the parish, 1 ; removed from the parish, 3 ; died, 4—present number, 63. Catechumens, 41.

Contributions :

The Education Fund of Ed. and Miss. Society,	\$13 30
Missionary Fund of do.	15 55
Episcopal Fund,	7 72
Diocesan Fund,	7 50

Divine service celebrated on the morning of every Sunday, and of Christmas, Circumcision, Ash Wednesday, Good Friday, and Thanksgiving Day.

The holy communion is administered on Christmas day, first Sunday in Lent, Easter day, Whitsunday, eighth Sunday after Trinity, sixteenth Sunday after Trinity, and the last Sunday after Trinity.

The children are not catechised in the Church. Number of catechists, 15. Sunday scholars, 86.

St. Paul's Church.—Baptisms : adults, 5 ; children, 9—total, 14. Confirmed, none. Marriages, 2. Funerals, none. Communicants : added as new, 2 ; removed into the parish, 2 ; removed from the parish, 1 ; died, none—present number, 8. Catechumens, none.

Contributions :

Education Fund of Ed. and Miss. Society,	\$2 03
Missionary Fund do.	10 66
Episcopal Fund,	3 38
Diocesan Fund,	1 00

Divine service celebrated on the afternoon of every Sunday, and of Christmas, Circumcision, Ash Wednesday, Good Friday, and Thanksgiving day.

The holy communion is administered on the Sunday after Christmas, second Sunday in Lent, first Sunday after Easter, Trinity Sunday, ninth Sunday after Trinity, seventeenth Sunday after Trinity, and first Sunday in Advent.

The children are not publicly catechised in the Church. Catechists, none. Sunday Scholars, none.

St. James' Church, Newtown, Queen's co.; the Rev. GEORGE A. SHELTON, Rector.

The parish has increased during the past year, far more than in any preceding year since the present Rector has had charge of it. The number of families belonging to the church now is more than 40. Divine service has been performed morning and afternoon in the Church throughout the year, and occasionally on some day in the week. Several weekly lectures have been held in different parts of the parish, during the greater part of the year. The Sunday

School has been kept open, and the children have been occasionally catechized.

Communicants : died, 1 ; removed, 3 ; received, 12—present number, 50. Marriages, 4. Baptisms : infants, 2 ; adults, 2—total, 4. Burials, 5.

Collected by Monthly Offerings, \$179.58—a part of which has been appropriated as follows :

To Bible and Common Prayer Book Society,	\$5 00
Diocesan Missionary Society,	14 00
Education Society,	5 00
Bishop's Fund,	3 00
Foreign Mission Society,	62 50
Domestic Mission Society,	38 50

Collected in other ways :

By Ladies' Sewing Society,	16 50
By Collections in Church, for the Poor,	28 50
By Subscription to ——— Society,	18 50
By Donations to ——— Society,	10 00
“ to a Missionary,	50 00

Total, \$303 00

Trinity Church, Lansingburgh, Rensselaer co. ; the Rev. ALVI T. TWING, Rector.

Baptisms : adults, 16 ; infants, 17—total, 33. Marriages, none. Communicants : added as new communicants, 14 ; removed into the parish, 6 ; removed from the parish, 11 ; died, 2—present number, 70. Confirmed, 22. Funerals, 11. Sunday Scholars on the Register, 95. Average attendance, 70. Teachers, 18.

Contributions :

Education Fund of the Diocese,	\$10 00
Missionary Fund “ “	30 00
Domestic Missions,	20 00
Episcopal Fund,	5 00
Bible and Common Prayer Book Society,	5 00
Tract Society,	5 00
Diocesan Fund,	10 00

Total, \$85 00

Christ Church, Troy ; the Rev. EDWARD INGERSOLL, Rector.

Baptisms : adults, 4 ; children, 12—total, 16. Confirmed, 10. Marriage, 6. Funerals, 8. Communicants : added as new communicants, 10—present number, 80. Catechumens, as Sunday Scholars, 50.

Contributions :

Education Fund of Diocese,	4 20
Missionary Fund of “	6 58
Diocesan Fund,	6 35
Episcopal Fund,	6 61
Gen. P. E. S. S. Union,	17 65
For St. Andrew's Church, Ann Arbor, Michigan,	7 00

St. John's Church, Troy ; the Rev. RICHARD COX, Rector.

Baptisms : adults, 6 ; children, 30—total, 36. Confirmed, 15. Marriages, 7. Funerals, 11. Communicants : added as new communicants, 17 ; removed into the parish, 9 ; removed from the parish, 15 ; died, 3—present number, 119. Catechumens, as Sunday Scholars, about 150.

Contributions :

The Ed. Fund of the Ed. and Miss. Society,	\$15 00
Missionary Fund of the same.	12 00
Episcopal Fund,	5 00
Diocesan Fund,	9 00
N. Y. Bible and Common Prayer Book Society,	10 00
N. Y. Protestant Episcopal Tract Society,	10 00
Gen. Protestant Episcopal Sunday School Union,	14 02
Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society :	
Domestic, for Jubilee College,	6 00
Foreign, for Greece,	14 00
Church at Ann Arbor, Michigan,	10 20
Church at Southport, W. F.,	10 20

Various sums have been contributed to other Church objects.

Divine service has been celebrated regularly twice on each Lord's day and on Good Friday, and once on each of the other prominent holy days. The full evening service has been used on the Wednesday evenings of about half the year : on these occasions, expository lectures have also been delivered.

The communion is administered on the second Sunday of every month.

The children of the parish very generally attend the Sunday School, and are there regularly instructed in the catechism, Scripture lessons, and the like, by the Rector, who is the Superintendent of the school. There are 20 catechists who aid him in this department of his duty.

St. Paul's Church, Troy ; the Rev. ROBERT B. VAN KLEECK,
Rector.

Baptisms : adults, 4 ; children, 37—total, 41. Confirmed 10 ; 2 in sickness—12. Marriages, 12. Funerals, 31. Communicants : added as new, 28 ; removed into the parish, 9 ; removed from the parish, 11 ; died, 2—present number, 265. Catechumens : in the Sunday School, 130 ; in the infant Sunday School, 120.

The Female Parochial Charity School, containing 40 girls, is still efficiently sustained by the liberality of an individual member of the parish.

A Male Parochial Charity School, of 50 boys, has been established, and is supported by subscription.

Contributions :

To the Ed. and Miss. Society of the Diocese :	
Education Fund,	\$40 00
Missionary Fund,	160 00
Episcopal Fund,	10 00
Diocesan Fund,	30 00
N. Y. Bible and Com. Prayer Book Society,	88 47
Protestant Episcopal Tract Society,	25 00
Gen. P. E. S. School Union,	102 87
Board of Missions :	
Domestic Missions,	249 43
Foreign “	185 93
To Bishop Chase, for Jubilee College,	880 00
Male Parochial School,	400 00
Female “	400 00

This is exclusive of collections at the communion, and contributions for building Churches and other local objects.

Besides the Sunday services, Divine service has been celebrated on every holy day, on the Wednesday preceding every communion, on every Wednesday evening with a lecture for eight months of the year, and on the Friday evening preceding every communion with a sermon. The communion is administered every month, on the first Sunday, unless some festival fall near.

The children of the Sunday Schools and others, are examined and instructed in the Church catechism openly in the Church, on the afternoon of the first Sunday in every month.

The Rector also examines the Sunday School, every Sunday, upon the Scripture lesson for the day.

St. Andrew's Church, Richmond, with Trinity Chapel, Factoryville, Richmond county; the Rev. DAVID MOORE, D. D., Rector.

Baptisms, 18. Marriages, 9. Funerals, 26 Communicants: added, 10; died, 2—present number, 260. Families, 250. Sunday schools, 2; scholars, 100; teachers, 10.

Collections have been made in behalf of the Missionary and Episcopal Funds, of the Education Society, and also in behalf of the Diocesan Fund, all of which have been paid over to the Treasurer of this Convention.

The Rector has reason to rejoice, that although nothing special has occurred within the limits of his widely extended parish since the last report, yet that from the unusual degree of interest evinced in attending upon the ordinances of the church, he is induced to take courage and go forward in preaching the blessed Gospel, in all its fulness, freeness, and simplicity,—holding up, as he proceeds, the Lord Jesus Christ, as the only ground of the sinner's hope, and the only source of Christian consolation.

St. Paul's Church, Tompkinsville, Richmond county; the Rev. WILLIAM WALTON, Rector.

Baptized, children, 7—3 of these clinical baptisms. Confirmed, 2—in city churches. Funerals, 4. Communicants: added as new, 9; removed into the parish, 1—total added, 10; removed from the parish, 7; left, 1; repelled, 1—total left, 9; present number, 51. Catechumens: number on the revised Sunday School Register, boys, 46; girls, 81—total, 127; average attendance for the year, 45.

Contributions:

Education Fund,	-	-	-	\$17 15
Missionary Fund,	-	-	-	25 00
Episcopal Fund,	-	-	-	3 20
Diocesan Fund,	-	-	-	9 75
New York Bible and Common Prayer Book Society,	-	-	-	10 50
Protestant Episcopal Tract Society, New York,	-	-	-	6 25
General Theological Seminary,	-	-	-	7 05
Domestic Missions,	-	-	-	7 50
Foreign Missions,	-	-	-	8 50
For the same, from the Sunday school children,	-	-	-	4 69
For St. Andrew's Church, Ann Arbor, from a few individuals,	-	-	-	5 00
Parochial Sunday school,	-	-	-	9 00

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From the Ladies' Sewing Society, to pay two years' interest on the mortgage on the church, \$270.

Remarks.—Divine service has been celebrated twice on Sundays; also, on the mornings of Christmas, Good Friday, Thanksgiving, and the special Fast Day. Prayers on the mornings of the Circumcision, Ash Wednesday, and Ascension, and every day in Passion Week. Evening Service, and a Lecture, on each Wednesday during Lent. The Rector is sorry to say, that the prayer days were sadly neglected, owing to the sectarian notion here, as elsewhere, too prevalent, that the sermon is the principal part of the service. The Holy Communion has been administered on Christmas, Easter, Whitsunday, and the first Sunday of every month, with variations for the above festivals. The children have been catechised on the afternoons of Communion Sundays in the church—eight times in all. Number of Sunday school teachers: male, 6; female, 9—total, 15.

The Church continues much embarrassed with debt. Could it be relieved of this, the state of things would be highly encouraging.

Christ Church, Ballston Spa, Saratoga county ; the Rev. DEODARUS BABCOCK, Rector.

Baptisms : adults, 3 ; infants, 3—total, 6. Marriages, 6. Funerals, 4. Communicants : added, 4 ; removed, 6 ; died, 0—present number, 72. Catechumens, 40.

Contributions :

To Education Fund of Education and Missionary Society,	\$3 57
Missionary Fund of ditto ditto,	10 00
Episcopal Fund,	1 00
Paid to Diocesan Fund,	6 00
New York Bible and Common Prayer Book Society,	2 00

The Church has been opened for divine service on all Sundays during the year, and on the principal Holy days. The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper is administered six times in a year. The children of the parish are catechised by the Rector on the first Sunday in every month.

St. Paul's Church, Charlton, Saratoga county ; the Rev. EDWARD DAVIS, Rector.

Of baptisms, there have been 2 infants. Marriages, 3. Funerals, 2.

Collections :

For Diocesan Missionary Society,	\$5 00
Do. do. Education Society,	5 00

Number of communicants, 43. A course of instruction on the Catechism, and Epistles and Gospels, has been regularly given to the children of the congregation, embracing a class of about twenty-five.

Bethesda Church, Saratoga Springs, Saratoga county ; the Rev. WILLIAM F. WALKER, Rector.

The Rector of this parish respectfully reports, that up to first of February last past, he was engaged, and for three years previous, in the conduct of the Troy Episcopal Institute, as Principal, and that he officiated each Lord's day twice in the chapel of that institution.

There was confirmed by the Right Rev. the Bishop of Connecticut, in the month of January, one sick person, a member of the Institute. Two children were baptized by me. In April, I took charge of my present parish. I have baptized, (adults, 4 ; infants, 4)—8 ; married, 1 ; buried, 1 ; presented for confirmation, 6 ; added as new communicants, 7 ; removed into the parish, 2 ; removed from the parish, 1 ; present number of communicants, 26.

I have collected and paid over to the

Diocesan Fund,	\$12 00
Episcopal Fund,	1 00
Education Fund,	7 00
Missionary Fund,	7 00
Bible and Prayer Book Society,	6 50
Tract Society,	3 40

Improvements have been made in the Chapel to render it better adapted to the due and proper celebration of the Church offices. An organ has been purchased and placed in it ; and a new church edifice, of an approved plan, has been commenced. I have officiated each Sunday twice, and have celebrated the services on Saints' and some other prayer days. The parish appears to be prosperous.

Grace Church, Waterford, Saratoga county ; the Rev. GEORGE B. EASTMAN, Rector.

Baptized : adults, 0 ; children, 3—total, 3. Confirmed, 1. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 4. Communicants : added, 2 ; removed into the parish, 6 ; removed from the parish, 3—present number, 36.

Contributions :

Education Fund,	-	-	-	-	\$1 00
Missionary Fund,	-	-	-	-	4 37
Episcopal Fund,	-	-	-	-	1 00
Diocesan Fund,	-	-	-	-	6 00

Remarks.—The present Rector entered upon the duties of this parish, in connection with St. John's Church, Cohoes, in February last, soon after the decease of his lamented predecessor, the Rev. Dr. Stebbins.

On the first of May, by vigorous efforts, means were provided to secure the undivided services of a minister in each parish ; and the parishes, by mutual agreement, were separated. Since that time, his services have been confined to this parish. On the fifth Sunday after Trinity, July 11th, our church, together with the bell and organ, was destroyed by fire. Repairs and alterations had been made in the church, at considerable expense, but the week before it was burnt. Vigorous measures are now being taken to secure means, and to rebuild the church this season. Under the divine blessing, we confidently trust this will be accomplished. A fine lot for a burying-ground, has been given to the Church by one of the Wardens.

The smallness of the sums collected for the objects required by the Canons, is to be attributed to several causes—the present unsettled state of the parish, growing out of the late calamitous fire ; a greatly increased parochial burden to secure the entire services of a minister ; a heavy additional subscription for rebuilding the church edifice ; and the diminished ability of the parishioners, owing to the distress occasioned by the late fire.

Since the destruction of our church, service has been performed regularly in the Session Room of the Presbyterian Society, which was kindly offered to us for that purpose. Divine service has been celebrated regularly twice on each Lord's day. The Communion is administered on the first Sunday of every month.

Christ Church, Duaneburgh, Schenectady county ; the Rev. WILLIAM B. THOMAS, Rector.

Communicants : died, 1 ; removed, 2 ; added, 2 ; present number, 28. Baptisms, infants, 5. Marriages, 3. Burials, 3. Catechumens, including a Bible Class, about 30. The Rector is himself the Superintendent of the Sunday School, assisted by five teachers, two males, and three females. The school has been attended on the afternoon of each Lord's day, as a substitute for a second service.

Divine service is regularly attended on the Festival and Fast days usually observed by the church.

Contributions :

Missionary,	-	-	-	-	\$30 25
Education,	-	-	-	-	17 00
Diocesan,	-	-	-	-	7 50
Episcopal,	-	-	-	-	5 00

St. George's Church, Schenectady ; the Rev. WILLIAM H. WALTER, Rector.

Baptized, children, 20. Confirmed, 20. Marriages, 4. Funerals, 15. Communicants, 158. Sunday School teachers, 30 ; scholars, 150.

Contributions, as follows :

Education Fund of E. and M. Soc.	\$17 25
Missionary " - - - - -	22 75
Episcopal " - - - - -	10 00
Diocesan " - - - - -	15 00
New York Bible and Com. Prayer Book Society,	10 00
" Tract Society, - - - - -	10 00
General Theological Seminary, - - - - -	21 25
" Prot. Ep. S. S. Union, - - - - -	5 50
Domestic Missions, - - - - -	50 00
Collection for Bishop Chase, - - - - -	44 87
" Church in Southport, Wisconsin,	10 00
" " Ann Arbor, Michigan,	20 00
Donations to American Seamen's Friend Society,	50 00
Collections for Parish Sunday School, -	43 82
" other benevolent purposes in the Parish,	107 17
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This Parish, it is gratefully acknowledged, continues in a united and generally prosperous state ; and, as appears from a comparison of the table of contributions with those of preceding years, evinces an augmented interest in the welfare and extension of the Church of Christ.

St. John's Church, Ogdensburgh, St. Lawrence county ; the Rev. HEWLETT R. PETERS, Rector.

Baptisms, infants, 25. Marriages, 11. Funerals, 12.

Collections :

For Missionary Fund of the Diocese, -	\$25 00
Diocesan " - - - - -	19 50
Episcopal " - - - - -	4 00
From an unknown member of the congregation,	
general Church use, - - - - -	30 00

Trinity Church, Potsdam, St. Lawrence county ; the Rev. ALBIN K. PUTNAM, Rector.

Baptized : adults, 19 ; children, 19—total, 38. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 4. Communicants : added as new communicants, 40 ; removed into the parish, 3 ; removed from the parish, 1 ; died, 1 ; present number, 80. Catechumens, 125 ; of whom, 60 are catechised openly in the church every month. Catechists, 18.

Contributions :

Missionary Fund, - - - - -	\$11 60
Education " - - - - -	1 00
Diocesan " - - - - -	6 15
Episcopal " - - - - -	1 00
Domestic Missions, - - - - -	11 64

Remarks.—The Holy Communion has been celebrated ten times, and the usual services of the church upon Sundays and holidays, and several other occasions. Since the beginning of Lent, the congregation has assembled for morning prayers every Wednesday ; also every morning in Passion Week. There is a lecture on Friday evenings preceding the Communion. The Rector catechises the children upon the Collect for the day, every Sunday morning, in connection with the devotional exercises of the Sunday School.

It is here recorded, in gratitude to the Giver of every good and perfect gift, that his blessings upon this church have been more apparent during the past year than in any year that has preceded it. Scarcely a communion has passed

without some addition to our number of communicants; and the whole number is now more than twice as great as at the last report. Our Sunday School and catechetical instructions have been attended with exceedingly happy results. The triumphant death of a greatly beloved female communicant at the beginning of the year, while it caused deep sorrow, was manifestly the occasion of much permanent seriousness in the congregation.

The Rector reports farther, that he has performed, gratuitously, some missionary labor in the adjoining town of Norfolk, ten miles distant, having given there sometimes an evening service upon Sundays, after his usual labor at home, and sometimes a service upon a week day. Such an arrangement is now being made between the friends of the church there and at Waddington, that it may be hoped their parish will be reorganized, and the services of a clergyman secured. Should this be effected, there is a fair prospect of a large and flourishing congregation. It is to be regretted, however, that the difficulty of finding clergymen willing to labor in this remote part of the diocese, has prevented the field from being sooner occupied.

He has baptized, at different times within the year at Norfolk, nine adults and five children; making the total number baptized by him since his last report, fifty-two. He has administered the Lord's Supper there once to thirty-three persons, many of whom then received that sacrament for the first time.

Trinity Church, Ulster, Ulster county; the Rev. HIRAM ADAMS, Rector.

Baptisms—all infants and children—22. Communicants: added, 7; removed, 5—49. Burials, 12.

Collections, canonical:

Missions,	-	-	-	-	\$8 00
Diocesan,	-	-	-	-	6 00
Episcopal Fund,	-	-	-	-	4 00
Education Fund,	-	-	-	-	5 00
Domestic Mission,	-	-	-	-	10 00

The teachers and scholars of the Sunday School number about the same as last year. The Sunday School and Parish Library continue to increase. The Rector catechises the children openly in church, occasionally, as health permits—

The parish is believed to be on the increase in numbers, and the faithful to be improving in divine knowledge and the practice of godliness.

Trinity Church, Granville, Washington county; the Rev. JOHN SCOVILL, late Rector.

I resigned the charge of the parish on the 26th of July. My report is to that time.

Baptisms: infants, 2; adults, 2—4. Marriage, 1. Funerals, 2. Communicants: added as new, 5; by removals into the parish, 3; present number, about 60. A few of these, some 8 or 10, reside in Vermont, and are reported to the Bishop of Vermont as communicants of his Diocese; but they consider themselves communicants of this parish, and from their proximity to the church, choose to continue as such.

St. Matthew's Church, Bedford, Westchester county; the Rev. ALFRED H. PARTRIDGE, Rector.

During the past year, the congregation has been gradually increasing, and many feel deeply interested in the *spiritual* as well as temporal prosperity of the church. The statistics of the year now past, are as follows:

Marriages, 5. Deaths, 8. Baptisms: adults, 9; children, 8—total, 17. Confirmed, 14. Communicants: added, 10; present number, 75.

Collections

For Miss. Fund of the Ed. and Miss. Soc. of the Diocese,	\$4 50
Education do do.	4 50
Diocesan Fund,	2 30
Episcopal "	2 40
Foreign Missions,	35 00

The latter being an appropriation of the Ladies' Missionary Society of St. Matthew's Church, Bedford.

St. Paul's Church, East Chester, Westchester county; the Rev. ROBERT BOLTON, Rector.

Baptized, 10. Married, 2. Funerals, 50. (15 of the parish, 35 from the city and other parts) Communicants, 50; died, 1. Sunday scholars at East Chester and Pelham, 40; teachers, 7. Confirmed, 12.

The services are well attended, and it is hoped with benefit to many.

Contributions :

For the Domestic Com. of the Board of Missions,	\$47 00
" Foreign " "	95 00
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St. Thomas' Church, Mamaroneck, Westchester county; the Rev. JOHN M. WARD, Rector.

The present incumbent entered upon the charge of this parish on the first of July. Since that time, there have been,

Baptized: 1 adult; 7 infants—total, 8. Confirmed, 9. Marriages, 1. Funerals, 3. Communicants: added, 5; removed into the parish, 1; present number, 41. Catechumens and Sunday School scholars, 40.

Contributions have been made for the

Education Fund of the Ed. and Miss. Soc.	\$2 50
Missionary " " "	3 30
Diocesan " - - -	4 41
Episcopal " - - -	2 31
Bible and Common Prayer Book Society, -	6 57

Divine service has been celebrated regularly twice on Sundays. The Holy Communion is administered monthly. The catechumens are examined openly in the church. The number of catechists who assist the Rector in Sunday School instruction, is 9. The temporal and spiritual affairs of this parish are, under the divine blessing, in an improving condition.

St. Ann's Church, Morrisania, Westchester county; the Rev. ARTHUR C. COXE, Deacon, Minister.

Baptisms, 5—adults, 2. Confirmations, 5. Communicants, 20. Families, 25. Marriages, none. Funerals, none. Sunday School: 30 scholars, 4 teachers.

Remarks.—The minister has but just entered upon his duties, and the church was consecrated only so long ago as June 28th. No collections have been made, other than for current expenses. The church is regularly opened on Festivals, and holy-days; and the children are, *at present*, catechised every Sunday, immediately after evening service.

Trinity Church, New Rochelle, Westchester county; the Rev. THOMAS W. COIT, D. D., Rector.

Baptized, children, 8. Funerals, 11. Marriages, 5. Communicants: died 1; added by removals, 10; removed, 8; added from the congregation, but *one*.

Contributions:

For Bishop Chase,	-	-	-	\$28 00
Domestic Missions,	-	-	-	55 00
Foreign	"	-	-	15 00
Prot. Ep. Missionary Soc. of N. Y.	-	-	-	20 00
A Church in the country,	-	-	-	10 00
Prot. Ep. Missionary Soc. of N. Y., 2d coll.	-	-	-	40 00
Education Fund,	-	-	-	20 50
Diocesan	"	-	-	12 75
Episcopal	"	-	-	5 00
N. Y. Bible and Prayer Book Soc.	-	-	-	5 00
" Prot. Ep. Tract Soc.	-	-	-	20 00
Sunday School Union,	-	-	-	10 00

Remarks.—The Rector has nothing to add to the remarks of last year, except to say, that deeming elementary and doctrinal instruction more important than usual, he has delivered thirteen lectures on the evidences of Christianity, eight on original sin, and four on the spirituality, extent, &c., of the Divine Law. It may not be amiss for him to notice, that one of the funerals was for a person one hundred and five years old, who had lived almost the whole of that long period in this her native village, and was interred in open view of the spot where she was born.

St. Peter's Church, Peekskill, Westchester county; the Rev. MOSES MARCUS, Rector.

The triumphs of the church have become so marked and decisive, and the fields of a long time "white already to harvest," have every where given such pleasing promise of a rich abundance, that it has ceased to be a new thing to hear of her advancement and prosperity. Nevertheless, it will be gratifying to many to learn what are the prospects at the present time of this ancient parish, and what it has pleased God to put it into the heart of my people to do for his honor and service.

For some months, after the resignation of my predecessor, there had been a long and almost entire intermission of divine services in the church; hence, when I entered upon the duties of the parish, in March last, I found that the Sunday schools had ceased to exist, and that there was a total abeyance of all parochial improvement; insomuch that even the pews in the church had to be re-let, before provision could be made for the Rector.

The following report will exhibit what, with God's blessing, has since been done:

Have preached twice every Lord's day, and sometimes performed a third service. The Holy Communion has been administered once a month; and lectures preparatory thereto, and for other Festivals and Fasts, have from time to time been delivered. On all which occasions the people, by a devout and regular attendance, have given satisfactory evidence of a lively interest in religion, and of attachment to the principles and duties of the church.

I have also occasionally, through the summer, performed divine service in the mother church—a venerable relic of the piety of its founders, worthy of preservation, and which, connected as it is with the earliest history of the church in this country, I hope, ere long, to see put in creditable repair.

The village Sunday school re-established, was under my own supervision until the proposed alterations in the church made it necessary, for a time, to suspend our services therein. The Ladies' Sewing Society, re-organized, is going

on prosperously, and shows itself an efficient "help-meet" for the church. A parochial association also, formed for the purpose of promoting a system of "voluntary contributions in the way of monthly offerings," has likewise done well.

But, though it would not become me to determine the success of my feeble endeavors, I feel that I may, with thankful satisfaction, and praise to God, refer to the noble acts of some of my flock, which may have been induced thereby.

I beg leave, therefore, further to report, that the Vestry of the parish, perceiving that the congregation was steadily increasing, and that the principal seats in the church being all let, further accommodations were needed, determined, with a zeal and promptitude most commendable, so to enlarge their newly-erected chapel—consecrated but a few years since as auxiliary to the mother church—as to give twenty-six additional pews. This is now being done, and in about a fortnight hence, when completed, the parish will have an edifice—internally—unique and church-like, and exceeded, perhaps, by few, in its outward appearance, within the county.

The altar, desk, and pulpit, will henceforward have their appropriate positions, as recommended by the Bishop of the Diocese; and in front of the chancel window a beautiful painting will be placed, representing "the giving of the law from Mount Sinai"—executed and presented to the parish, by one of its Vestry, Mr. James G. Clonney, an artist of distinguished merit and celebrity.

Nor is it the least gratifying to be able to state, that these improvements and alterations will not involve the church in debt! Through the unwearied efforts of our worthy Treasurer, Mr. Isaac Seymour, who indeed loves the church, and by his own liberal example led the way, the sum of twelve hundred dollars and upwards was subscribed and paid, in less than one week, by a few of the parishioners, to liquidate the same.

And now that our holy vane rears its head on high—as assumes the church her proper away and ascendancy all around her—already does a noble, deep-toned bell send forth its rich and solemn sounds from within. This was a gift in every way worthy of the venerable individual whose name is graven upon it—the senior churchwarden, General Pierre VanCortlandt, to whose family the parish is not only indebted for the original grant of land upon which the mother church stands, but for other and more recent favors. This bell weighs one thousand and eighty-five pounds.

Nor is this all. The ladies of the St. Peter's Sewing Society have devoted the proceeds of their benevolence to the purchase of a splendid organ of the value of \$1200, which Messrs. Holbrook & Co. of East Medway, Mass. (the persons who cast the bell) have built, and will place in the church when it is ready to receive it.

To the foregoing pleasing facts, I have only to subjoin the statistics of the parish, which will also show that, though a sum nearly as great as the original cost of the chapel is now to be expended upon it, the people have a desire to comply with the canonical requisitions, and to do as much as they are really able, to promote the great and important objects of the church, both at home and abroad.

Baptized: adults, 0; children, 9—total, 9. Confirmed, 0—there are several candidates for confirmation in the parish. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 3. Communicants: added as new, 5; removed into the parish, 5; removed from the parish, 10; died, 2; present number, 36. Catechumens: about 40 children in the Sunday school, and 8 teachers.

Contributions:

Education Fund of the Education and Miss. Soc.	\$3 62
Missionary " " "	5 00
Episcopal Fund, " " "	2 50
Diocesan " " "	2 50
New York Bible and Common Prayer Book Society,	2 50
New York Protestant Episcopal Tract Society,	2 50
The Dom. Com. of the General Board of Missions,	9 59

The For. Com. of the Gen. Bd. of Miss. (for Africa)	5 50
The Parochial Sunday School, for Books and Library,	7 75

Total, \$41 46

Christ Church, Rye, Westchester co.; the Rev. PETER S. CHAUNCEY, Rector.

Baptisms: children, 8. Confirmed, 4. Funerals, 24. Communicants: added, 8; removed, 3; died 5—present number, 79.

Contributions:

The Missionary Fund of the Ed. and Miss Soc.,	\$31 50
Contributions of the Ladies' Society:	
To Domestic Missions,	20 00
Diocesan Fund,	7 00
Episcopal Fund,	5 50

The ladies have also very generously contributed towards local objects, 150 00

Total, \$214 00

The holy communion is administered every six weeks. The Rector opens the Church for service on occasion of the festivals and fasts, and lectures in the houses of his parishioners every week during the fall and winter. He also takes charge of the Sunday School, and preaches on every funeral occasion.

St. Paul's Church, Sing Sing, Westchester county; the Rev. CHARLES H. HALSEY, Rector.

Baptisms: adult, 1; infants, 9—total, 10. Marriages, 5. Funerals: of the parish, 6; not of the parish, 5—total, 11. Communicants: added as new communicants, 3; removed into the parish, 5; removed from the parish, 10—total number, 56. Sunday Scholars, 110. Teachers, 14.

Contributions:

Domestic Missions,	\$23 00
S. S. Children to "	5 79
Theological Seminary,	22 00
Diocesan Missions,	13 04
Additional,	3 46
S. S. Children to do.,	4 65
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	21 15
Education Fund,	18 04
Episcopal Fund,	7 57
Diocesan Fund,	9 00
Sunday School of Parish,	66 00

Remarks.—Divine service has been celebrated twice every Sunday, twice on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday, Ascension Day, and the day appointed as a general fast, on occasion of the death of the President. Once on Thanksgiving Day, Christmas, Circumcision; each day in Passion Week, and on Monday and Tuesday in Easter Week. On each occasion, a sermon was preached, an expository and practical lecture delivered, or an appropriate "homily" read. There have likewise been Divine service and a lecture every Friday evening, with a few exceptions, throughout the year.

The holy communion was administered on the festivals of Christmas and Easter Day, and on the first Sunday in every month, excepting January and March.

During the winter, a course of lectures, with scripture illustrations, was delivered to the Sunday Scholars. On these occasions, the Rector was gratified by the general attendance of parents and other members of the parish. On the 4th Sunday after Trinity, (July 4th,) the service recommended by the Bishop of the Diocese was used throughout the day. During six months, the children

are catechised by the Rector openly in the Church, every Sunday after the evening service. Throughout the year, they also receive his attention in the Sunday School. He has to record the loss, by removal from the parish, of several valuable teachers.

The past year has been one of especial interest and encouragement to the Rector, for which he desires to express his deep thankfulness to God. An increasing attendance and attention have been given to the services of the Church, and an interest taken in her welfare, which, he sincerely trusts, has received the approbation of her Great Head. Besides the sums above reported, a debt exceeding sixteen hundred dollars, assumed by individuals of the parish, has been discharged; and the expense of repairing the Church, amounting to more than four hundred dollars, has also been paid. These unexpected repairs to a comparatively new edifice, were rendered necessary by the leaking of a zinc roof, and the substitution of other and more substantial materials. The result of their experience is here recorded for the benefit of those who may be disposed to use this unsuitable material in Church building.

The Vestry have also purchased a most desirable house and grounds for a parsonage, for the sum of \$3,175, and towards its payment have already raised above half the amount, among themselves and a few friends of this parish residing chiefly in the city of New York.

The ladies of the Sewing Society continue their laudable exertions. Having, last spring, engaged to pay, if possible, five hundred dollars, in five years, towards the purchase of a parsonage. They have already, in part, redeemed their pledge by the payment of three hundred dollars.

They have also made glad the heart of their Pastor, by paying the annual contribution requisite for giving his family an interest in the Fund of the Corporation for the relief of widows and orphans of Clergymen.*

St. Peter's Church, Westchester, Westchester county; the Rev. WM. POWELL, Rector.

Baptisms, 9. Marriages, 6. Funerals, 8. Communicants, about 52. Catechumens, 30. Average attendance of Sunday School Scholars, during summer months, 40.

Collections:

Theological Seminary,	\$41 50
Missionary Fund,	25 00
Gen. Domestic Missions,	17 50
Education Fund,	16 96
Diocesan "	9 75
Episcopal "	7 86

\$118 57

Grace Church, White Plains, Westchester county; the Rev. ROBERT W. HARRIS, Rector.

Baptisms: adults, 2 infants, 1—3. Confirmed, 13. Communicants, about 50. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 1.

Collections:

Gen. Theological Seminary,	\$15 00
Education Fund,	13 70
Missionary "	21 00
Episcopal "	4 79
Diocesan "	2 00

\$56 49

* The sum raised for this purpose was \$30 more than needed, under the impression that that amount was necessary to constitute the Rector a member of the Corporation.

Remarks.—In 1824, this congregation was organized, under the most discouraging circumstances. There was then not one male communicant, and not more than four or five females were members of our communion.

In 1826, the Church was consecrated and paid for.

In 1831, the present Rector took charge of the parish, being its fourth Pastor.

In 1833, four acres of land, eligibly situated, were purchased, and a large substantial parsonage erected thereon, in which dwelling, since that period, the Rector has resided, and conducted, in addition to ordinary pastoral duties, a select Boarding School, now in a flourishing condition.

In 1841, a lot of ground, in the rear of that on which the Church stands, was purchased, for the sum of \$400, in order to afford room for the enlargement of that edifice. Since Easter last, the Church has been greatly improved by an addition of 14 feet, and a large vestry room behind—by an almost entire alteration of the interior of the building, and by the erection of a very neat gallery at the east end.

To the ladies of the congregation we are indebted for very rich hangings, &c. for the pulpit and desk—for two handsome chairs for the chancel, and for carpeting for the chancel and the aisles. Of upwards of \$200 thus expended, more than \$150 were contributed by the "Sewing Society" of this parish. I may mention also that an elegant communion table has been placed in the chancel, and new stoves been procured.

These circumstances are enumerated to show, that by perseverance and economical management, a good parish may be raised and permanently established, *without missionary aid, without much assistance from abroad,* and where there would seem to be no hope for the Church.*

As regards the spiritual state of the people, the Rector is somewhat encouraged, being enabled to witness some fruits of his labor, and to observe a gradual improvement in the tone of moral and religious feeling in the congregation. But there is still need for the prayer—"O Lord, wilt thou not revive us!"—Alas! many among us are careful, *chiefly*, for the things of this life, and are, it is plain, without any good foundation for hope as regards another.

Sunday School exercises and pastoral instruction, unavoidably but reluctantly in a great measure suspended, for some time past, will be resumed in November next, and conducted as for several years past.

Since last autumn, as often as every other Sunday afternoon, the Rector has held services and preached in a school house, in North Castle, about 7 miles from the Church. He has been encouraged to do so, by the attendance of a good congregation, on all such occasions.

† *St. John's Church, Yonkers, including a chapel at Tuckahoe, Westchester county*; the Rev. HENRY L. STORRS, Rector.

Baptisms : children, 5. Marriages, 4. Funerals, 6. Communicants : added 2—present number, about 80. Catechumens and Sunday Scholars, 40.

Contributions :

Education Fund of Diocese,	\$15 00
Missionary Fund "	30 00
Episcopal Fund "	7 00
Diocesan Fund "	5 50

The present Rector was elected in May last, but owing to ill-health was prevented from entering upon the regular discharge of parish duties until the 13th Sunday after Trinity, Sept. 5th. It is not therefore practicable for him to make out this report with the accuracy requested by the Bishop. For the same reasons, the Canonical collections only have been made. But he confidently believes the parish will cheerfully and liberally respond to all such other calls, as

* Seven hundred and fifty dollars were given to this parish by Trinity Church, and something more than \$400 have been derived from individual donations, out of the town of White Plains.

Upwards of \$500 have been contributed for Church purposes, (chiefly in obedience to the *Canons*, always complied with,) since the organization of this parish.

ompliance with the recommendation of our Diocesan, will hereafter annually
rought before its notice. The parish is united, prosperous, and happy, present-
an ample and most interesting field for that spiritual labor which God, in his
nite mercy, grant the Rector may have grace and strength given him to per-
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From the following Parishes no reports have been received:—

St. Peter's Church, Hobart, Delaware county.
St. Paul's Church, Pleasant Valley, Dutchess county.
Zion Church, Wappinger's Creek, Dutchess county.
St. Mark's Church, Malone, Franklin county.
St. Stephen's Church, Fonda, Montgomery county.
Grace Church, New York.
Church of the Nativity, New York.
St. James' Church, New York.
St. Mary's Church, New York.
St. Michael's Church, New York.
St. Philip's Church, New York.
Christ Church, Cooperstown, Otsego county.
St. Mary's Church, Hempstead Harbor, Queen's county.
Zion Church, Little Neck, Queen's county.
Christ Church, Oyster Bay, Queen's county.
St. Thomas' Church, Ravenswood, Queen's county.
St. James' Church, Milton, Saratoga county.
Grace Church, Canton, St. Lawrence county.
Christ Church, Morristown, St. Lawrence county.
Zion Church, Greenburgh, Westchester county.
St. James' Church, North Salem, Westchester county.
St. Luke's Church, Somers, Westchester county.
Christ Church, Tarrytown, Westchester county.

MISSIONARY REPORTS.

The following portions of the Reports made to the Bishop by
e Missionaries of the Diocese, are published by his direction :

From the Report of the Rev. WILLIAM BAKER, Missionary at
airfield and Norway, Herkimer county.

Trinity Church, Fairfield.—Baptisms : adults, 2 ; infants, 1—3. Confirmed, 4.
arriages, 6. Funerals, 10. Communicants added, 4. Present number, 47.
atechumens : Bible class, 15 ; Sunday scholars, 10—25.

Contributions :

The Education Fund of the Protestant Missionary Society of the Diocese of New York,	\$2 00
The Missionary Fund of ditto,	10 00
The Episcopal Fund,	1 00
The Diocesan Fund,	3 50
Bible and Prayer Book Society of the central part of the State of New York,	3 00
To the Protestant Episcopal Tract Society,	2 00
To the Bible and Prayer Book Society,	2 00
Board of Missions of the P. E. Church in the U. S. :	
Foreign,	6 00
Domestic,	10 00
For the Parish Library,	11 00
Total collected at Fairfield,	\$50 50

Grace Church, Norway.—Baptized : 1 adult, 3 children—4. Confirmed, 4. Communicants added, 4. Present number, 25.

Contributions :

The Education Fund of the Education and Missionary Society of the Diocese of New York,	\$1 50
The Missionary Fund of ditto,	7 00
The Diocesan Fund,	1 00
The Episcopal Fund,	1 00

Total in both parishes, \$61 00

Remarks.—The first, third, and fifth Sundays have been devoted to Fairfield. One Sunday in each month has been given to Norway, and one to Middleville and Newport. During the season of Lent, I lectured once a week at Fairfield and the same at Middleville. Divine service was celebrated also on Christmas Eve, and Christmas Day, Good Friday, Thanksgiving, and on the National Fast. Also, nine times on funeral occasions. The Holy Communion has been administered ten times at Fairfield, four times at Norway, and once at Middleville.

From the Report of the Rev. WILLIAM S. BARTLETT, Missionary at Little Falls, Herkimer county.

Baptized : adults, 0 ; children, 10—total, 10. Confirmed, 2. Marriages, 3. Funerals, 4. Communicants : added as new communicants, 2 ; removed into the parish, 4 ; ditto from the parish, 1—present number, 37. Catechumens, Sunday scholars, 30.

Contributions :

Diocesan, Education, and Missionary Society.	
Education Fund of do.,	\$5 00
Missionary do.,	12 50
Do. do.,	*17 00
Episcopal Fund,	3 00
Diocesan Fund,	5 62
N. Y. Bible and Common Prayer Book Society,	2 50
P. E. Tract Society,	2 50
General Theological Seminary,	5 00
Board of Missions of P. E. Church in U. S.,—Domestic Committee,	10 00
Jubilee College,—collection after an appeal by Bishop Chase,	8 53
Collected in Sunday school for Library for the same,	10 60

\$82 25

* Contributed by Parochial Missionary Society.

Remarks.—Divine service has been celebrated twice every Sunday during the year, excepting when I have been necessarily absent, when the church has been closed a part of the time—not however exceeding five Sundays on the whole. Services have also been held on Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, Day of Thanksgiving appointed by the Governor, Day of National Fast recommended by the President of the United States, and on Good Friday. The Holy Communion has been administered monthly. A monthly Missionary meeting has also been kept up. There has been no examination of the children in the Church Catechism openly in the church. Number of Sunday school teachers is five.

A third service has been held at Fort Plain, a growing village, sixteen miles east of Little Falls, ten times during the year, to full and attentive congregations. From the situation of your missionary, this is all that he has been able to do for a place, where the prospects are good for the establishment of the church. We have already some warm friends in Fort Plain, who will doubtless make every exertion to this end. The services which have been given to Herkumer, have been discontinued, from a conviction of the entire hopelessness of any attempt to gain a footing for the church there.

Considerations of a personal nature, (and in no way affecting his connection with the people of his charge,) have impelled him to ask a dismission. This has been granted, to take effect on the first of October. Your missionary experiences much regret in taking leave of a people from whom he has experienced kindness, and in whom he shall not cease to feel an interest.

From the Report of the Rev. WILLIAM H. A. BISSELL, Missionary at West Troy, Albany county.

Trinity Church and St. Luke's Chapel.—Baptized: adult, 1; children, 4—total, 5. Confirmed, 7. Funerals, 2. Communicants: added as new, 9; removed into the parish, 7; removed from the parish, 3; died, 1; present number, 46. Catechumens: at Trinity Church, 24; at St. Luke's Chapel, 23.

Contributions:

To the Education Fund,	-	-	-	\$2 40
Missionary Fund,	-	-	-	7 32
Episcopal Fund,	-	-	-	2 00
Diocesan Fund,	-	-	-	7 50
For Domestic Missions, from the ladies of St. Luke's				
Sewing Society,	-	-	-	5 00

This parish, vacated the first of November by the resignation of the Rev. A. T. Twing, was supplied by the present missionary, in conjunction with the Rev. G. B. Eastman, until the first of January, when the former was called to its pastoral charge.

Divine service has been celebrated twice on Sundays, once in each place of worship, on the prominent holy days of the Church, and on the Wednesday evenings during Lent. The Holy Communion has been administered monthly alternately at Trinity Church and St. Luke's Chapel. The children in the Sunday schools of both congregations are catechised in church immediately after divine service. There are eight teachers who assist in the instruction of these schools. During the past year and a half, the parish has been somewhat embarrassed by the death and removal of some who were accustomed to contribute freely to its means.

From the Report of the Rev. DAVID I. BURGER, Missionary at Cohoes, Albany county.

St. John's Church, Cohoes.—The present incumbent entered upon the duties of this station on the first day of May, 1841.

Services have been regularly performed twice every Sunday. Baptized: adults, 1; infants, 5. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 6. Communicants; added as new, 7; removed to the parish, 5; removed from the parish, 1; died, 0—present number, 22. Catechumens, including Sunday School Scholars, who are

regularly catechised before the congregation in open church—usual number in attendance, 36—40.

Contributions :

Education and Missionary Fund of the Diocese,	\$3 16
Bible and Prayer Book Society,	3 00
Diocesan Fund,	5 62
To Sunday School Library of our own church,	16 00
Amount,	\$27 78

The fact that this parish did not come under the supervision of the present reporter until one half of the year had nearly expired, will account for the fewness and smallness of our collections. On reviewing the past five months of my sojourn in this parish, I find every reason to exclaim, "Praise the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me bless his holy name."

The service set forth by the Bishop for the Fourth of July, as also that for the late National Fast, were both used on their respective occasions.

From the Report of the Rev. JOHN A. CHILDS, Deacon, Missionary at Waddington and Norfolk, St. Lawrence county.

St. Paul's Church, Waddington.—I have but recently accepted the charge of this parish. Being on a visit, I preached there four times on two Sundays. I found the congregation had been without regular clerical services for more than one year past, and in consequence there had been considerable declension in matters pertaining to the Church. I was encouraged to hope, however, for better things, from the privilege I had of baptizing six adults and one infant. The Register of the Church has been so much neglected, that I am unable to give the statistics at this time.

I officiated also twice at Norfolk, a village twelve miles distant from Waddington. The Church was formerly fully organized at this place, but for lack of a Pastor, but few church people remain. These are disposed, however, to contribute of their substance to secure my services for one quarter of my time. With the blessing of God upon my labors, it is possible these congregations may yet revive, and the house of God be again frequented with humble worshippers.

From the Report of the Rev. WILLIAM A. CURTIS, Missionary at Kingston, Ulster county.

St. John's Church, Kingston.—Last June I was called to the pastoral charge of this Church, and my report embraces a period of only four months. For some time previous to my removal hither, the parish had been destitute of the stated services of a settled clergyman. Some families had withdrawn from the church, others had removed. The number of communicants had diminished to eighteen, and the hopes of the remainder were depressed by a series of discouragements. But some devoted friends remained to aid in the improvement of this state of things; and by their zealous co-operation, and through the Divine blessing, our prospects are brightening. I have to report eight additions to our communion, making our present number 26. Baptisms, 6. Deaths, 1.

Collections :

For Missionary Fund,	\$3 00
Education do.,	2 62
Diocesan do.,	5 62

The Vestry have besides raised a sufficient sum to paint the church edifice, and complete some necessary repairs. The annexed is from the report of the faithful Superintendent of our Sunday school:

"REV. W. A. CURTIS, Rector:

"Rev. and Dear Sir,—In compliance with your request, I beg leave to submit the following report of the Sunday school of St. John's Church. It now com-

prises a Superintendent, Librarian, and Secretary; two male and eight female teachers; eighteen male and twenty-seven female pupils. Of these forty-five scholars, we have an average attendance of thirty-four. Thirty-two are Catechumens. Two male and six female pupils are colored. The number, both of teachers and scholars, would doubtless appear very small to one who only regarded in this connection, the size and population of our village. But when the past condition of the church here is taken into the view, the number of other congregations, the extensive and deeply rooted prejudices against much of our order and worship, we think that we have great reason to rejoice in beholding a steady and sure increase to our number.

"You will well remember that when you entered upon the Rectorship of this parish, not only had the Sunday school been discontinued, but the feasibility and advantage of its revival was doubted by many of the warmest friends of the church. We are grateful and glad that such views and feelings served only to urge you forward in the attempt to re-establish and foster among us, this nursery of the Church. Having been yourself present, and rendering your aid during every session of the school, save one, since its revival, (thirteen Sundays since,) we doubt not, that while you have so largely participated in our labors, you have also partaken of the joy with which we are permitted already to regard the result of our endeavors to train up the lambs of your flock in the fold of the Church, and 'in the nurture and admonition of the Lord.'"

From the Report of the Rev. HENRY M. DAVIS, Missionary at Ticonderoga, Essex county.

"*The Church of the Cross,*" Ticonderoga.—Baptisms: adults, 5; children, 6—total, 11. Confirmed, 8. Marriage, 1. Funerals, 4. Communicants: added as new, 5; removed into the parish, 2; removed from the parish, 1; died, 1—present number, 38. Catechumens: in the Sunday school, 30; in the Bible Class, 12.

Contributions:—

Education Fund of the Ed. & Miss. Society,	\$7 00
Missionary Fund of the Ed. & Miss. Society,	8 00
Episcopal Fund,	3 00
Diocesan Fund,	4 00
For the N. Y. Bible and Common Prayer Book Society,	2 00
Protestant Episcopal Tract Society, New York,	2 00
The General Theological Seminary,	1 27
Parish Sunday school,	31 17

Total, \$58 44

Remarks.—Besides two services, and sometimes three, on the Lord's day, the principal holy days throughout the year have been observed. Morning prayer on every day of Passion Week, and on Wednesdays and Fridays of the other weeks in Lent, was well attended, and was found to be very interesting and profitable. The children in the Sunday school are examined by the minister in the Catechism and other lessons, generally every Sunday. A Bible-class also is taught by him on Sunday evenings. For seven months in the year, lectures founded upon some incident in the life of Jesus, have been delivered regularly on Thursday evenings. The Communion is administered every month.

This parish is suffering for the lack of a church building, and of proper accommodations for public worship. Measures have now been taken to remedy this inconvenience. We trust that during the coming year a neat church will be put up. Very respectable congregations, however, are gathered, and they are generally uniform in their attendance upon religious ordinances, and zealous for the Church and cause of Christ.

"*The Church of the Covenant,*" Port Henry, Essex county.—Baptized: adults, 2; infant, 1—total, 3. Communicants: added as new, 3; present number, 12. Contribution for the Protestant Episcopal Tract Society, New York, \$1 00.

Remarks.—This parish was duly organized on the 25th of May last past. At first I preached at Port Henry only occasionally. But since the 25th of July, I have officiated there every alternate Sunday. As this is the first organized religious society in the place, which is a village of much business, it presents a very favorable opening for the Church, where, in short, the zealous labors of a young missionary would be highly appreciated and well required. It is too far distant from Ticonderoga, to be embraced within the limits of that station. And then again, there are flourishing villages in the vicinity of Port Henry, (Moriah Corners, Westport, and Wadhams Mills,) in all of which there are zealous Churchmen. These, with Port Henry, furnish a field of much promise, and demand immediately the exclusive attention of an active missionary.

From the Report of the Rev. SHELDON DAVIS, Missionary at Patterson, Putnam county, and Pawlings, Dutchess county.

The Church at Patterson has been regularly opened for divine service every Sunday morning during the year; and the regular congregation has gradually increased, both in numbers and general interest. In the afternoon and evening, the missionary has always officiated at one or more of the interesting points in Pawlings and its vicinity. The progress of the Church in this whole region, is slow, but sure; and its sound and scriptural principles are gradually gaining a firmer and deeper hold upon the public mind.

Baptized, children, 3. Confirmed, 1. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 1. Communicants, 19.

The various Canonical collections have been punctually made, and duly applied.

From the Report of the Rev. PALMER DYER, Missionary at Whitehall, Washington county.

St. Paul's Church, Whitehall.—Baptized, children, 4. Marriages, 5. Funerals, 6. Communicants: removed into the parish, 7; removed from the parish, 10; died, 1—present number, 46.

Contributions:

To the Education Fund of the Education and Missionary Society of the Diocese,	\$1 81
To the Missionary Fund of the Education and Missionary Society of the Diocese,	3 59
To the Episcopal Fund,	1 79
To the Diocesan Fund,	1 06
To the Protestant Episcopal Tract Society,	2 12
The General Protestant Episcopal S. S. Union,	2 00
Other objects connected with the Church, about	200 00

Remarks.—Divine service has been celebrated twice on Sunday, and once each on Thanksgiving Day, Ash Wednesday, Good Friday, and the National Fast Day, on account of the death of President Harrison. Divine service has also been celebrated on the Wednesday evenings in Lent. The missionary has officiated one Sunday for the newly organized "Church of the Covenant" at Port Henry, town of Moriah, and county of Essex; and on other days he has preached once in Westport, once in Wadhams Mills, and twice in Ticonderoga—in the same county. He has twice performed a third service, and preached, on Sundays, in the Congregational Meeting House, Fairhaven, Vt., and once in the Chapel of Christ Church, Hampton; as well as once in the parish of Trinity Church, Rutland, Vt.

The Holy Communion has been celebrated on the first Sunday of each month, and also on Christmas, Easter, and Whitsunday.

An affection of the throat and lungs having much enfeebled the health and impaired the voice of the missionary, he has been compelled at last, within a few weeks, to suspend the performance of the public duties of his sacred office, and to place himself under a course of medical treatment. Fully trusting in

God the Saviour, under the banner of whose Holy Catholic Church he has been allowed the honor of serving as an Evangelist for nearly twenty years, he can still say, from the heart, and with emotions of deep gratitude, "Thy will be done." He hereby resigns both the office of a Diocesan Missionary, and the Rectorship of St. Paul's Church, Whitehall.

From the Report of the Rev. BENJAMIN EVANS, Missionary at large in the City of New York.

Baptisms : adults, 10 ; children, 80—total, 90. Marriages, 14. Funerals, 35. Catechumens, 150. Sunday-school scholars, 221. Total under instruction 371. Donations for the poor, \$931 96.

In the printed Report of the 10th of last May, a full and particular account is given of this branch of the City Mission operations. From said Report, the statistics of the Sunday-school children are given. In these schools, the missionary is aided by six Superintendents and thirty-five teachers.

The number of children has not been as large during the summer months as it was before. But, with the acquisition of the new scholars which have been promised, as well as the return of the old, the schools in a few weeks will be well filled, and far exceed any previous number.

When it is considered that most of the pupils under the instruction of the missionary at large, were collected from the poorest and lowest classes of society, it will be understood as no easy matter to interest them in Sunday schools, or induce them to attend. At their homes they have the worst of example ; they are encouraged in vice, and hear every good thing ridiculed and blasphemed. There may be a few exceptions, but this is the general character. Under such disadvantages, it is cause of thankfulness to Almighty God that there are at present two hundred children in these schools. But some of them are religiously inclined, and thirty of them have been baptized by the missionary. Divine service is performed in the schools twice every Lord's day, and plain lectures have been delivered on the services of the Church, Saints' Days, and on the Feasts and Fasts, as they have revolved in the ecclesiastical year. The Catechumens, (already mentioned,) are instructed, as yet, in their several classes ; but now, being able to repeat the answers of the Church Catechism, will be publicly examined.

This branch of the City Mission operations is one that has already recommended itself to the kindness and charity of the wealthy members of the Church, and most sincerely does the missionary at large thank them for their donations to the poor, and gratefully confess, that as their almoner, his mission, with God's blessing, has been more acceptable and effectual.

From the Report of the Rev. GEORGE W. FASH, Missionary at Marlborough, Ulster county.

Christ Church, Marlborough.—Baptisms : adults, 4 ; children, 3—total, 7. Confirmed, 8. Marriage, 1. Funerals, 6. Communicants : added as new, 7 ; removed into the parish, 4—28. Catechumens, about 30, in a Sunday School, under the charge of the Missionary, assisted by 7 catechists. The books of instruction are the Catechism, and a selection from the publications of the General P. E. S. S. Union.

Contributions :

For the Education Fund of the Diocese,	\$1 25
For the Mission Fund of " "	2 37
" Episcopal Fund of " "	1 00
" Diocesan Fund of " "	4 13
Total,	8 75

In addition to the above, there has been contributed the sum of \$15 for a library for the Sunday School.

The Missionary has the pleasure to report that the general condition of the congregation is prosperous. A gradually increasing preference of sober and Scriptural views of the Church of Christ is manifested in our neighborhood; and although, on account of the long continued prevalence of error, the growth of the congregation probably will not be rapid, yet we have reason for hope, in the fact, that but a very few years ago, nine-tenths of its number, perhaps, were members of dissenting denominations. At the same time, it is believed that there exists a spirit of practical piety, in accordance with soundness in doctrine.

Divine service has been celebrated, on Sunday, twice; on the principal holy days, in the morning; and during the season of Lent, every Wednesday evening. The holy communion has been celebrated five times during the year. The Missionary having been recently admitted to Priest's Orders, the sacrament will hereafter be administered more frequently.

Report of the Rev. EDWARD K. FOWLER, Missionary at Monticello, Sullivan county.

Baptisms : adults, 7; infants, 3—10. Marriages, 10. Funerals, 2. Communicants : died, 2; removed, 5; added, 8—total, 64.

Collections :

For the Missionary Fund,	\$85 00
“ Education Fund,	5 00

During the last year, St. John's Church, in the village of Monticello, has been handsomely painted, and a good toned bell placed in the tower. Occasional services have been profitably rendered at Liberty, Thompsonville, and Bridgeville.

From the Report of the Rev. ASA GRISWOLD, Deacon, late Missionary at Walton, and Franklin, and Delaware counties.

Since my last Report, I continued to officiate regularly at the station at Walton and Franklin, until in May last, when I resigned. I flatter myself that, with proper exertions, a Church may soon be successfully organized at Franklin.

Christ Church, Walton.—Baptisms : adults, 1; children, 5—total, 6. Communicants : added, 2—whole number, 32.

Collection :

For Domestic Missions,	\$2 00
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From the Report of the Rev. REUBEN HUBBARD, Missionary at Stillwater and Mechanicville, Saratoga county.

As my health is so poor that I cannot attend the Convention, I will not fail of transmitting to you my annual report, as well as I am able. For the last year, my services have been as heretofore, equally divided between St. Luke's Church, Mechanicville, and St. John's Church, Stillwater, except one Sunday, which I spent with the Churches under the care of the Rev. Dr. Stebbins, while he was on his death bed, and two Sundays spent at Northumberland, where we have a few highly valued members, and where I preached several times on week days. These two parishes have suffered great losses by death within the last two years. At St. John's, the attendance has been better the last than any year since I have been their Minister. We have a Sunday School which is doing much good, mostly taught by young ladies. By the liberality of a certain lady of this Church, to whom they and their minister have long been under many obligations, we have suspended in the tower, a very fine toned bell, of more than half a ton weight. And though I cannot say that these Churches are prosperous, yet I trust some good is done. Though persecuted, we are not forsaken; though cast down, we are not in despair.

St. Luke's Church, Mechanicville.—New communicants, 1; two have died; two removed out of the parish—present number, 13. No baptisms nor Marriages. Funerals, 3.

St. John's Church, Stillwater.—Three have been admitted to the communion; two have died; two have removed out of the parish—present number, including five at North Cumberland, 21. No marriages. Two children have been baptized, and 7 funerals have been attended. As I have been very ill for more than two months, the collections have not been attended to as I could wish they had been.

In St. John's Church, only one collection is on hand, which I place to the

Diocesan Fund, - - - -	\$1 46
By a Lady, given to the Missionary Fund,	10 00
By another Lady, given to the Education Fund,	5 00
Total, - - - -	<hr/> \$16 46

In St. Luke's, collections on hand :

Education Fund of the Diocese, - - -	\$1 23
Missionary Fund, - - - -	1 39
Diocesan Fund, - - - -	92
	<hr/> \$3 54

This is the best I am able to do this year.

From the Report of the Rev. JOHN HUGHES, Missionary at Monticello and Exeter, Otsego county.

During the past year, my services, to the first Sunday in June, were divided between Gilbertsville, Exeter, and Garrettsville, where I officiated every third Sunday, in the afternoon, besides often on week evenings; where, also, on Monday in Easter Week, a Church, by the name of St. Mark, was organized, with very promising prospects. Since the time mentioned above, my services have equally been divided between Monticello and Exeter.

Gilbertsville.—Baptisms : children, 4. Communicants : added, 4; died, 3—present number, 66. Marriage, 1. Funerals, 12.

Collections :

Education and Missionary Society, -	\$6 00
<i>St. John's, Exeter.</i> —Communicants, 15; two added; funeral, 1.	

Collections :

Education and Missionary Society, - - -	\$6 37
Diocesan Fund, - - - -	2 00
Episcopal Fund, - - - -	2 00

St. Mark's, Garrettsville.—Baptisms : adults, 1; children, 9. Communicants, 10. Marriages, 1. Funerals, 2.

St. Luke's, Richfield.—Communicants, 40. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 1.

Collections :

Education and Missionary Society, -	\$7 63
Diocesan Fund, - - - -	3 00
Episcopal Fund, - - - -	2 00

From the Report of the Rev. HIRAM JELLIFF, Missionary at Lithgow, Dutchess county.

Since the last annual report, your Missionary continued his services at Lithgow, until the 1st of May, 1841, at which time he tendered his resignation of the parish, and removed to Poughkeepsie, where he has since become the Principal of a Classical and English School.

Report of *St. Peter's Church, Lithgow*, until the 1st of May, 1841.—Marriages, 2. Funerals, 3. Communicants : removed, 3—present number, 29. During said period, no collections were made.

From the Report of the Rev. LOT JONES, Missionary in Charge of the Mission Church of the Epiphany, New York.

Baptisms : adults, 8 ; infants, 85—total, 93. Marriages, 30. Funerals, 54. Communicants : added as new communicants, 54 ; removed to the congregation, 10 ; removed from the congregation, 39 ; died, 14—whole number, 337. Catechumens, 371, all of whom are members of the Sunday School.

Contributions :

To the Ed. Fund of the Ed. and Miss. Soc. of the Diocese,	\$10 93
To the Missionary Fund of do.,	10 93
To the Domestic Department of the Board of Missions,	20 00
To the Foreign Department of do.,	20 00
For a special Benevolent Object,	35 00
For the Sunday School, by the members of do.,	48 75
For the Benefit of the Poor,	129 66
For Repairing the Church, and Improving its Condition, by the Ladies of the Congregation,	335 00

Divine service is celebrated three times on Sunday, once on the principal festivals and fasts, and every Friday ; also every Wednesday in Lent, and daily in Passion Week. Communion, first Sunday in every month, Christmas, Easter, and Whitsunday. The Catechumens are divided into several classes, one of which is examined in the Church Catechism, by the Missionary, openly in the Church, on the 3d Sunday of every month. The Pastor is aided in the instruction of the Sunday School, by 38 Catechists. Baptism is administered in the Church on the last Sunday of every month. An expository lecture is delivered on Friday evening. The whole of the Acts of the Apostles has been taken up in consecutive order,—the Gospel of St. Matthew is nearly completed. Much time is spent in visiting the sick and afflicted. Peace and harmony prevail in the congregation. There is a manifest increase of the graces which adorn the Christian character.

From the Report of the Rev. JESSE POUND, Missionary in charge of the Mission Church of the Holy Evangelists, New York.

The condition of this station, both temporally and spiritually, is as prosperous as can reasonably be expected, when its location, and other circumstances connected with it, are duly considered.

The size of the congregation varies much, but its average is full as large as last year. It is composed of persons whose residence here is transient, there being but few families of a settled character who stately worship within its walls. Yet the confidence is felt, that at no period of my incumbency has it more fully carried out the benevolent objects for which it was established.

During the last conventional year, 30 infants and three adults have been baptized ; 30 new communicants, and 4 from other parishes, have been added to the communion ; 40 have removed—present number about 240. Marriages, 8. Funerals, 18.

The Sunday and daily infant schools continue their useful labors. The latter is quite flourishing, having an average attendance of about one hundred children daily. The contingent expenses have been met, and the congregation has contributed to various benevolent objects, and the poor, \$170.

From the Report of the Rev. LUCIUS M. PURDY, Missionary at Hampton, Washington county.

Christ Church and St. Simon's Chapel.—Baptisms, infants, 4. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 4. Communicants, (added, 1) 30. Besides these, several families, including more than 20 communicants from neighboring towns in Vermont, are regular attendants on public worship at the Chapel. These are reported to the Bishop of that Diocese.

The Sunday school numbers about 20 scholars. A weekly Bible-class is held during the winter months, and well attended. Much improvement has been made in the Chants and other music of the Church.

Collections :

Diocesan Missionary Fund,	\$6 00
Education Fund,	4 00
Diocesan Fund,	2 00
Episcopal Fund,	1 00
Domestic Missionary Board,	3 43

A considerable sum has been raised for the repair and painting of the old Parish Church, and for the enclosure of the church-yard and cemetery. The old church was erected about 45 years since, and is still used for occasional services. It is the oldest church in this section of the country, and the field once embraced by this parish has now seven organized congregations. It has also suffered much by emigration to the West. The laborers in this field are so few that I have been often called to perform divine service in vacant parishes around me.

From the Report of the Rev. JOSEPH RANSOM, Missionary, at Gilbertsville, Otsego county.

Your missionary accepted a call to this parish in July last; and up to that time, from the beginning of October, 1839, he was the missionary at Westford and Cherry Valley. During his connection with the latter station, his labors, by the blessing of Almighty God, were very successful; and he trusts, through the Divine help, that at Gilbertsville he shall be made equally useful—as the indications at present existing there, are obviously for the prosperity of the church.

The statistics of the parish will be given next year, as he has hardly had time to collect them, as yet. The contributions are—

To the Missionary Society,	\$7 50
To the Diocesan Fund,	6 00

From the Report of the Rev. GEORGE SAYRES, Missionary at Cairo, Greene county.

Calvary Church, Cairo.—Baptized : adults, 2; children, 1—3. Confirmed, 2. Married, 1. Funerals, 3. Communicants : added as new, 2; removed into the parish, 4; removed from the parish, 1—total, 22. Catechumens in the Sunday school, 41.

Contributions :

Education Fund of Ed. and Miss. Society,	\$1 10
Missionary Fund do.	5 15
Diocesan Fund,	3 75
Episcopal Fund,	0 31

I have continued, as before, to devote my time every second Sunday to this parish. The intervening Sundays have been given to St. Paul's Church, Oakhill, the condition of which may be seen in the report of the Rev. James Thompson. Besides these, I have held five occasional services at Oakhill.

On the Sundays when I am obliged to be at that parish, there has been lay reading in the Church at Cairo by one of the Wardens. This lay service has

been regularly kept up once every fortnight, except in the winter months. It has been the means of much good to the parish.

On the alternate Sundays, when I am at Cairo, I always preach twice, and sometimes hold a third service in the neighborhood. There have been seven public services held in the Church at Cairo, on week days, in observance of the chief Festivals and Fasts, besides nineteen other services, comprising week evening lectures. Out of the village, I have officiated nine times, with much encouragement, in places otherwise destitute of the privileges of the Church. The Holy Communion has been administered seven or eight times. I have regularly catechised the children of the parish once every fortnight, when I could be with them. The Sunday school was re-opened in the spring, as usual, and has been attended every week by the average number of 35 learners and 8 teachers.

The congregation at present numbers nearly double the regular attendants of last year; and notwithstanding the warm opposition of sectarians, is steadily increasing. But I am sorry to add, that the two Sacraments of the Church are still very much neglected, both here and at Oakhill.

During the year, an excellent bell has been procured, costing, with fixtures, about \$175. The ladies have provided a surplice for the church. The tower of the building has been altered and improved. Means have just been taken to place within it a good town clock.

From the Report of the Rev. CHARLES SEABURY, Missionary at Setauket and Islip, Suffolk county.

I have to inform you, that for the year past, I have done my best endeavors to keep my two churches open; but owing sometimes to sickness, and sometimes to stormy weather, I have missed my appointments more, I think, than I ever did before. I would, however, remark, that both the churches have been well attended, especially the Islip church. All are attentive, and appear to be deeply interested. The hope of a church at Patchogue is still strong. It might have been effected before this, but frequent ill turns prevent my going much abroad, and I have therefore left it for some younger person.

I will mention a simple circumstance which I construe as an evidence that attention to the service of the Church is increasing, at least in Islip. I have distributed at different times, many prayer-books; notwithstanding this, I have had several applications made to me lately, to purchase prayer-books when I go to the city. This did not use to be so.

With respect to a church at Patchogue, a gentleman informed me last week, that he had been endeavoring to secure a lot of land for the purpose, and was still in treaty for it.

Parochial Report—Marriages, 7. Funerals, 6. Baptisms: adults, 2; children, 12—total, 14. Lectured at different places, six times. Communicants: St. John's, Islip, 6; Seatauket, 12. Missionary collections: Islip, seven dollars; Seatauket, five dollars.

From the Report of the Rev. ISAAC SHERWOOD, Missionary at Cold Spring Harbor, Queen's county, and Huntington, Suffolk county.

St. John's Church, Cold Spring Harbor.—Baptisms: adult, 1; children, 7—total, 8. Funerals, 3. Communicants, 14. Sunday scholars, 30.

Contributions:

Education Fund,	\$2 00
Missionary Fund,	6 00
Episcopal Fund,	1 00
Diocesan Fund,	3 00

St. John's Church, Huntington.—Marriage, 1. Funerals, 2. Communi-
cants, 18.

Contributions :	
Education Fund,	\$1 00
Missionary,	3 00
Episcopal,	1 00
Diocesan,	2 50

These churches, although few in numbers, with the Divine blessing, continue to prosper. They are free from debt, but have no funds for the present accomplishment of many desired improvements. But we rejoice in objects of higher importance—an increasing attachment and zeal for the profession of the true Catholic faith, respect for the Divine institution of the Church, and a conviction of the public and private benefit dispensed to every community where her altars are established.

These assurances are derived from experience. They encourage our hearts, and strengthen our hands in the holy work, begun and prosecuted—with so much success in these places.

From the Report of the Rev. ORSAMUS H. SMITH, Missionary at Port Jackson, Montgomery county, and West Charlton, Saratoga county.

I continued to fulfil my duties as the missionary at Rensselaerville and Greenville, as I had done, devoting three-fourths of the Sundays to Rensselaerville, and one-fourth to Greenville, from the first of October to the first of April last, in which time I baptized one adult and three children—4; married one couple, and attended two funerals.

I came to the charge of St. Ann's Church, Port Jackson, on the first of May last; since which time, with little exception, morning and evening service has been celebrated, and numerous auditories have been in attendance. A spirit is awake in this church, which has already produced, and we think will continue to produce, very encouraging results. A new organ, of excellent tone, and capacity sufficient for the church, has been purchased, and placed in the orchestra, and the music of the congregation is now very good. The church has been furnished with a carpet, and the pulpit and desk with cushions. Other very desirable improvements have also been made in the church. We are now much in need of a bell, which we hope to be able to procure in the course of the ensuing year.

I have devoted a third service to St. Mary's Church, West Charlton, once in four weeks, through the summer. This church, however, I am sorry to say, is nearly extinct. It has been deprived, by death and removal, of all but one or two of its communicants. The house of worship, however, has been well filled when I have officiated, and I believe, that could stated worship be preserved in that place, the Christian fold would again be gathered there. The Bishop confirmed one person in St. Mary's at his last visitation.

Baptisms in St. Ann, Port Jackson : children, 5. Confirmed, 3. Marriage, 1. Funeral, 1. Communicants : added as new, 6; died, 1—23. Sunday scholars, 20.

Contributions :	
Organ,	\$400 00
Carpet and cushions for pulpit and desk,	72 00
Missionary Fund,	3 50
Education “	1 54
Diocesan “	6 75
Episcopal, “	50

From the Report of the Rev. JOHN A. SPOONER, Missionary at Glen's Falls, Warren county, and Sandy Hill and Fort Edward, Washington county.

Church of the Messiah, Glen's Falls.—Baptized, children, 2. Funeral, 1. Communicants, 19.

Zion Church, Sandy Hill.—Baptized, children, 3. Confirmed, 3. Marriages, 2. Communicants, 40.

Contributions :

To Education and Missionary Society of Diocese,	\$10 68
Episcopal Fund,	7 25
Diocesan Fund,	7 30
N. Y. Bible and Com. Prayer Book Society.,	5 50
N. Y. Prot. Episcopal Tract Society,	4 45
General Theological Seminary,	4 85

Total, \$40 03

From the Report of the Rev. JAMES THOMPSON, Missionary at Oak Hill, Greene county.

St. Paul's Church, Oak Hill.—Baptisms : adults, 1 ; children, 5—total, 6. Funerals, 3. Communicants : added as new, 1 ; removed into the parish, 1 ; removed from the parish, 2—total, 20. Catechumens, in the Sunday schol, 61—average number in attendance, 50.

Contributions :

Missionary Fund,	\$7 35
New York Bible and Prayer Book Society	5 50

Through the mercy and goodness of God, I have been able to perform divine service twice every other Sunday, but once, the year past ; then prevented by a storm. The congregation has been much larger this year than ever before. The communion has been administered five or six times during the year. Holy-day services have been held five times. The village Sunday school has been transferred to the church, and is opened every Lord's day, immediately after the service in the afternoon. I have attended the school every other Sunday, and closed it with singing and prayer. There are five male and five female teachers. The Rev. Mr. Sayres attends the other part of the time, and I sometimes read prayers in the afternoon to assist him. I continue to give him one-half of my missionary stipend, and receive nothing for my services from the congregation. The fence around the church and burying ground is finished, all but painting. The ladies of the congregation have formed a sewing society, which is well attended. The singing in church has greatly improved, and is better than ever before.

Since I have been in the ministry, which is now 28 years or more, I have never yet omitted any part of divine service on account of debility ; and have never lost more than two Sundays in any one year since my ordination. The Convention I attended faithfully until my seventieth year, since which time I have ceased attending, in consequence of advanced age, although I enjoy my senses and health. The Rev. Mr. Sayres will report what he thinks necessary in addition.

From the Report of the Rev. ROBERT WASHBON, Deacon, Missionary at Rensselaerville, Albany county, and Greenville, Greene county.

In Rensselaerville, the missionary assists the aged Rector of Trinity Church ; whose report see.

Christ Church, Greenville.—Funerals, 0. Communicant, 1—present number of communicants, 16.

Contributions :

Episcopal Fund,	\$0 60
Education Fund,	2 00
Missionary Fund,	3 00

I preach in this parish one-quarter of the time, every fourth Sunday. From the first of April to the last of August, they were destitute of all ministerial labor, and the church remained closed.

I commenced my ministerial labors on the fourth of July, and have preached twice every Sunday since. From the first of August, I have preached steadily in Rensselaerville and Greenville—attended two funerals, and assisted twice in the communion.

From the following Missionaries no Reports have been received:—

The Rev. Sturges Gilbert, Missionary at Westford, Otsego county.

The Rev. Ravaud Kearny, Missionary at Clermont, Columbia county, and Red Hook, Dutchess county.

OTHER CLERICAL REPORTS.

The Bishop has also received Reports, according to the Canon, from the following Clergymen of the Diocese, not having parochial or missionary charge therein:—

The Rev. Hobart M. Bartlet, residing, and instructing, in the city of New York, has, since his transfer to this Diocese from Virginia, supplied the public duties of the Rector of St. George's Church, Hempstead, during the indisposition of the latter. Marriages, 1. Burials, 3.

The Rev. Edward C. Bull has officiated regularly through the year in Brookfield, Connecticut.

The Rev. Orange Clark, D. D., has officiated regularly through the year at Northampton, Massachusetts.

The Rev. William C. Cooley spent several months at the South in search of health, officiated frequently during his journey, and for three months stately in a parish in South Carolina. Since his return, has officiated eight times on Sunday. Special duties in this diocese: Baptisms, 2 children. Marriages, 2. Burials, 3.

The Rev. Alexander Frazer, Chaplain to the Sailors' Snug Harbor, Staten Island, officiates there every other Sunday. For a time, supplied stated services to the Second African congregation, New York, until its dissolution; and, of late, once on a Sunday in St. Philip's Church, New York. Has preached through the year, on average, twice a week. Baptisms, 4 children. Marriages, 3. Funerals, 5.

The Rev. Donald Frazer, Deacon; the following is his report:

"Since I was admitted to the Order of Deacons, on 11th of April last, I have preached not less than two, but generally three times a week.

"Since the 25th of July, under the sanction of the Bishop, and with the approbation of the Rector of St. Peter's, my ministry has been principally, and is now wholly confined to the population in the immediate vicinity of the building occupied by the Eighth Avenue Sunday School. I perform two services every Lord's day in this building. The congregation is composed of the Sunday school and adults. The attendance is respectable, and upon the whole, the number of hearers is increasing. Baptisms, children, 5. Marriages, 1. Burials, 1.

The Rev. Charles W. Hackley has principally attended to the business of instruction in the city of New York, in schools attached to the church, and to private pupils; and has also rendered a few occasional services in churches in New York and its vicinity.

The Rev. Abram B. Hart, Missionary of the General Board of Missions at Apalachicola, Florida, has been fully occupied in the duties of his mission.

The Rev. Caleb S. Henry, D. D., Professor of Moral and Intellectual Philosophy in the University of the city of New York, preached 23 times in various churches. Administered the Holy Communion once, and assisted therein at various times. Attended one funeral. Married one couple. Most of the services rendered on occasion of the absence or illness of the parish minister.

The Rev. Jedidiah Huntington, M. D., Deacon, Instructor in St. Paul's College, College Point, since his ordination in February, preached 36 times; read the service between 50 and 60 times; buried one; paid 2 pastoral visits to the sick; baptized 3 adults; and assisted in the Holy Communion about 15 times. The above public services rendered at the Chapel of St. Paul's College, and sundry other churches and chapels.

The Rev. John Knill, residing at Poughkeepsie, Dutchess County, in consequence of continued ill health, has performed but few services.

The Rev. Alfred M. Loutrel, Deacon, since his ordination in June, has officiated in divine service and preaching 23 times, baptized an adult, and performed the funeral service once.

The Rev. John F. Messenger, teacher, Brooklyn, has performed divine service 76 times; preached 44 times; administered the communion once; assisted at the communion 5 times; baptized 2 infants; and officiated at 2 funerals.

The Rev. William H. Moore, Deacon, has continued to supply the parish of East Greenwich, Rhode Island.

The Rev. George W. Nichols, Deacon, residing at Greenfield Hill, Connecticut, has been almost constantly engaged in ministerial duty, in various places, during the year.

The Rev. Samuel Nichols, residing at Greenfield Hill, Connecticut, has frequently officiated, in that vicinity, through the year.

The Rev. Amos Pardee, residing at Caldwell, Warren county. Age and infirmity have prevented much duty. Frequent services, however, have been rendered in various places, and especially on a journey to former fields of missionary labor. Administered the communion once. Baptized seven children.

The Rev. Alonzo Potter, D. D., Professor of Moral Philosophy and Belles Lettres in Union College, Schenectady; the following is his report:—

"The subscriber respectfully reports, that, during the last year, he has read prayers and preached in St. Peter's Church, Albany, during the absence or indisposition of the Rector, ten times—that he has preached, &c., about fourteen times in St. George's Church, Schenectady, in aid of the Rector, when indisposed or necessarily absent—and that he has officiated occasionally, but not frequently, in other churches.

"He has baptized one child, and officiated at four funerals.

"He has also delivered, weekly, during about three months of the last winter, Sunday evening lectures on Christian doctrines and duties, to the students of Union College—and, for about the same space of time, was present each Wednesday evening at a meeting of the Episcopal Association of Union College, where he lectured and read the services."

The Rev. Smith Pyne, Principal of a select school, New York; the following is his Report:—

"According to the direction of the Canon of this General Convention, I report, that, subsequently to my resignation of St. John's Church, Yonkers, I offi-

ciated six Sundays in said parish, three in Westchester, for the Rev. Mr. Powell, two at Morrisania, three at the Church of the Ascension, two at Elizabethtown, New Jersey—the remaining Sundays I have officiated in the vacant parish at Hoboken, New Jersey.”

The Rev. Thomas C. Reed, Professor of Political Economy in Union College, Schenectady ; the following is his Report :—

“ In obedience to the Canon, I report, that, during the past year, I have preached 24 times, and attended 2 funerals. My power to aid my brethren, who live near me, has been less this year than in former years, from my having been troubled a part of the time with an affection of the throat. On Wednesday evenings, during the terms of college, I meet the Episcopal students—when the religious services are conducted according to the rules and spirit of the church, and a lecture is delivered.”

The Rev. Gilbert H. Sayres, residing at Jamaica, Queen’s county. The continuance of long existing physical inability, almost entirely precludes attention to ministerial duty.

The Rev. Aldert Smedes, Principal of a female seminary, New York. Weakness of voice has precluded attention to ministerial duty, except on a very few occasions, including two baptisms, two marriages, and two funerals. The following is taken from his Report :—

“ He trusts that his labors during the year, though not expended in a parish, have not been useless to the cause of Christ and his church.

“ He has been diligently engaged in the duties of his school ; making it a prime object, to lead the pupils committed to him in the way of everlasting life.

“ With this view, a daily lesson from the scriptures, is recited by the whole school, and minutely explained by the Rector. Besides which, the lessons given for Monday, are principally of a religious character, and are so arranged as to carry the pupils through a complete course of practical theology, in the very words of the scriptures, which they are required to commit to memory.”

The Rev. Samuel H. Turner, D. D., Professor of Biblical Learning, and the Interpretation of Scripture, in the General Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, has officiated about 25 times, as requested by his clerical brethren.

The Rev. Maunsell Van Rensselaer, Deacon, has officiated, since his ordination in June, on a temporary appointment, in aid of the Rector, in St. Peter’s Church, Albany.

The Rev. Marshall Whiting, residing at Astoria, Queen’s county, has officiated, since his removal to this Diocese, from Western New York, 15 times in different churches, and attended one funeral.

From the following Clergymen of the Diocese, no Reports have been received :—

The Rev. William Adams, Deacon.

The Rev. Seth W. Beardsley.

The Rev. Alva Bennett.

The Rev. Moses P. Bennett.

The Rev. Charles W. Bradley.

The Rev. George Bridgeman.

The Rev. Robert Campbell.

The Rev. Lawson Carter.

The Rev. Calvin Colton.

The Rev. John T. Cushing, Deacon.

The Rev. John M. Garfield,

The Rev. David Griffith.

The Rev. John Grigg.

The Rev. Samuel Haskell.
The Rev. Herman Hooker.
The Rev. Richard T. Huddart, Deacon.
The Rev. Aaron Humphrey.
The Rev. George Jones.
The Rev. John B. Kerfoot.
The Rev. Nathan Kingsberry.
The Rev. David M'Irvine, Deacon.
The Rev. John M'Vickar, D. D.
The Rev. James Millett, Deacon.
The Rev. William Morris.
The Rev. William A. Muhlenberg, D. D.
The Rev. William W. Niles.
The Rev. Samuel Phinney.
The Rev. Richard Salmon.
The Rev. John F. Schroeder, D. D.
The Rev. Daniel Shepard.
The Rev. Richard C. Shimeall.
The Rev. William Tatham.
The Rev. Francis Tremayne.
The Rev. Libertus Van Bokelen, Deacon.
The Rev. John A. Vaughan, D. D.
The Rev. Thomas Warner.

APPENDIX.

No. III.

Form of Parochial and Missionary Reports, recommended by the Bishop :

Baptized, Adults——
Children——
Total——

Confirmed——[*In this number should be included all belonging to the parish, whether confirmed therein or elsewhere, and not those of other parishes, who may have resorted thither for Confirmation.*]

Marriages——

Funerals——

Communicants. Added as new Communicants——
Removed into the parish——
Removed from the parish——
Died——
Present number——

Catechumens——[*Under this head, let there be included, distinguished as occasion requires, all the children and others of the parish who are under a course of instruction in the Church catechism; members of other classes for religious instruction; and Sunday scholars.*]

Contributions. The Education Fund of the Education and Missionary Society of the Diocese——
The Missionary Fund of the Education and Missionary Society of the Diocese——
The Episcopal Fund——
The Diocesan Fund——

[*Contributions to the above-mentioned four objects are required by the Canons to be made annually by every congregation. The following are also hereby earnestly recommended:—*]

The New York Bible and Common Prayer Book Society——
The Protestant Episcopal Tract Society, New York——
The General Theological Seminary——
The General Protestant Episcopal Sunday School Union——
The Board of Missions of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States——

[*Distinguishing, as occasion requires, between Domestic and Foreign Missions.*]

In the City of New York, The City Mission Society——
Other objects connected with the Church——

[*Distinguishing as occasion requires.*]

Remarks——[*Under this head, let there be included, according to the Canon, all matters, other than those above specified, which may throw light on the state of the parish; especially, The number of times divine service has been celebrated on Sundays, on Holy days, and on other days;—The number of times the Holy Communion is administered;—The frequency with which children have been instructed or examined in the Church catechism by the minister, openly in the Church; and, The number of Catechists who aid the pastor in Sunday school or other catechetical instruction.*]

APPENDIX:

NO. IV.

THE SECOND EVENING PRAYER,

Appointed agreeably to the Canons, to be used in any congregation of this Diocese in which the order for Daily Evening Prayer has been previously used on the same day, as follows :

The order for Daily Evening Prayer is followed to the end of the Psalms for the day, or selection of Psalms, and Doxology; and then the following order :—

A Lesson from the Old or New Testament, at the discretion of the Minister.

Either of the four Psalms appointed to follow the Lessons at Evening Prayer.

The Creed and the following *Versicles and Responses*.

The Collect for the Day.

The Collect for aid against Perils.

The Prayer for the whole State of CHRIST's Church Militant, in the Communion Service.

Any of the *Occasional Prayers or Thanksgivings*, as occasion may require.

One of the *Discretionary Prayers at the end of the Communion Service*.

2 Corinthians, xiii. 14.

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No. V.

PROCEEDINGS

NECESSARY TO THE ORGANIZATION OF NEW CHURCHES.

Reported by a Committee of the Convention in 1827.

By the Act to provide for the Incorporation of Religious Societies, passed 5th April, 1813, and the Act amending the same, passed 5th March, 1819, it is competent for the male persons of full age, belonging to any Church, Congregation, or Religious Society, to incorporate themselves, although such persons may not have belonged to the Church, Congregation, or Society, for the last twelve months; in which last respect the latter Act is an amendment of the former.

The first step to be taken in order to an incorporation, is to give notice at morning service, on the two Sundays previous to the time which may be appointed for the election of Churchwardens and Vestrymen, of the intended election; which notice is to be given by the Rector, or if there be none, by any other person belonging to the Congregation.

The Congregation having met at the time and place appointed, the Rector, or if there be none, or he be necessarily absent, then such other person as may be called to the chair, shall preside at this first election; and two other persons should be nominated, to certify, with him, the proceedings of the meeting.

The meeting is then, by a majority of voices, to elect two Churchwardens and eight Vestrymen, and to determine on what day in Easter-week the functions of the persons then elected shall cease, and their successors shall be afterwards annually chosen; together with the corporate name or title by which the Church is to be known.

A certificate is then to be signed, under the hand and seal of the Rector, or other person who shall preside at the election, and of two other persons nominated for that purpose, stating the names of the persons elected to the offices of Churchwardens and Vestrymen, and also the day in Easter-week appointed for the annual elections, and the corporate name or title of the Church.

This certificate is to be acknowledged by the persons signing it, or proved by one or more of the subscribing witnesses, before the Chancellor, or one of the Judges of the Supreme Court, or one of the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas of the county where the church or congregation is established. It is then to be recorded in the County Clerk's office, in a book to be by him provided for the purpose.

It may be proper to add, that the qualifications to vote for Churchwardens and Vestrymen, required by the first section of the Act of 1813, will be requisite at all annual elections after the first; that is, at such subsequent elections, the voters must have belonged to the congregation for the preceding twelve months, and must have been baptized in the Protestant Episcopal Church, or must have been received therein by the rite of Confirmation, or by receiving the Holy Communion, or by purchasing or hiring a pew or seat in the church, or by some joint act of the parties and of the Rector, whereby they shall have attached themselves to the Protestant Episcopal Church.

A form of the certificate of incorporation, and of the proof of its execution, is hereunto subjoined.

TO ALL WHOM THESE PRESENTS MAY CONCERN: *We whose names and seals are hereunto affixed do certify, that in pursuance of notice duly given, according to law, for that purpose, at the time of Divine service, on the two Sunday mornings now last past, the male persons of full age belonging to the Church, Congregation, or Society, commonly called* _____ *Church, in the* _____ *of* _____ *; in which Church, Congregation, or Society, Divine Service is celebrated according to the rites of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of New York; met at their place of worship in* _____ *, for the purpose of incorporating themselves under the Act entitled "An Act to provide for the Incorporation of Religious Societies," and the Act to amend the same. At which meeting, and by a majority of voices, the undersigned* _____ *being Rector of the said Church,† was called to the chair and presided, and the undersigned* _____ *were nominated to certify the proceedings of said meeting, in conjunction with said Rector,‡ and by a majority of voices,* _____ *were elected Churchwardens* _____ *and* _____ *were elected Vestrymen* _____ *of said Church; and* _____ *in the week called East* _____

* Instead of the words, "commonly called," &c., may be inserted the words *worshipping in*, [here name the town, village, street, building, or other particular designation.]

† The words, "being Rector of the said Church," are to be omitted when the Rector does not preside at the meeting, and in place of them the name of the Chairman is to be inserted.

‡ When the Rector does not preside at the meeting, here omit the word "Rector," and insert the name of the Chairman.

week, was, in like manner, fixed on as the day on which the said
 fices of Churchwardens and Vestrymen shall annually thereafter
 ase, and their successors in office be chosen; and the name or title
 "The Rector, Churchwardens, and Vestrymen of
 hurch, in the of," was in like manner fixed on and
 creed to, as that by which the said Church, Congregation, or Society,
 all be known in law. In testimony whereof, we, the said
 , together with the undersigned
 we hereunto subscribed our names, and affixed our seals, this
 y of , in the year of our Lord one thousand
 ght hundred and

Signed and sealed in the presence of

On the day of , in the year of our Lord
 before me
 the Court of Common Pleas for the county of
 , personally appeared one of the
 bscribing witnesses to the above instrument, to me personally known,
 io being by me duly sworn, did depose and say, that he resides at
 , that he knew
 e persons described in, and whose names and seals are affixed to the
 regoing instrument, and saw them execute the same; that they ac-
 knowledged to him that they executed the same, and that he, the said
 , in their presence and at their request,
 d, together with
 bscribe their names as witnesses thereto.

APPENDIX.

No. VI.

RULES OF ORDER.

I. At the opening of each Annual Convention, when the President shall have taken the chair, the Secretary shall call over the names of the clergy entitled to seats. The Lay Delegates shall then place their certificates on the Secretary's table; and whenever a constitutional quorum shall be found present, the President shall declare the Convention duly organized.

II. The first business shall be

The election of a Secretary and Treasurer, the former of whom shall have power to appoint an Assistant Secretary.

The appointment of five Standing Committees by the President—

1. On the Incorporation of Churches, one Clergyman and two Laymen.
2. On the Diocesan Fund, two Clergymen and two Laymen, with the Treasurer.
3. On the Treasurer's Report, three Laymen.
4. On the Theological Seminary, two Clergymen and three Laymen.
5. On the Education and Missionary Society, and on the New York City Mission Society.

III. The daily order of proceedings, after the first day, shall be—

1. The Daily Morning Prayer.
2. Reading and approval of the Minutes.
3. Calling the names of absent members.
4. Reports to be called in the following order:

Committee on Incorporation of Churches.

“ “ Diocesan Fund.

“ “ Treasurer's Report.

“ “ General Theological Seminary.

“ “ The Education and Missionary Society, and New York City Mission Society.

Trustees of Episcopal Fund.

Special Committees.

5. Miscellaneous Business.

IV. The Bishop's Address shall be at any time in order.

V. When the Report of a Committee is presented, it shall be read, and entered on the Minutes, unless otherwise determined by the house. If accompanied by resolutions, the resolutions shall be separately considered.

VI. When a question is before the house, it shall be in order to postpone, amend, or commit; and a motion for any one of these proceedings may be considered, precedence being taken in the order named.

VII. The votes by order, when called, shall be entered on the Minutes; they be called, whenever desired by five members.

VIII. Before the rising of the Convention, the Minutes of the last day's proceedings shall be read and approved.

IX. [Repealed. See pp. 20 and 41.]

X. On all questions of order, the President shall decide, subject to an appeal to the house.

XI. The hours of each day's session shall be from 9, A. M., until 3, P. M.

XII. No member may speak more than twice on the same question, without leave of the house.

XIII. A question being decided shall not be reconsidered during the same session, without the consent of two-thirds of the members present.

XIV. The question of adjournment shall always be in order, and shall be put without debate.

XV. All Special Committees shall be appointed by the Chair.

XVI. Clergymen belonging to this Diocese, but not entitled to seats in this Convention, Clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church not belonging to this Diocese, and Professors and Students of Theology in the Protestant Episcopal Church, shall be admitted to the sittings of the Convention.

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No. VII.

OFFICERS, ETC., OF THE CONVENTION.

Right Rev. BENJAMIN T. ONDERDONK,
PRESIDENT, "*ex officio*."
Rev. BENJAMIN I. HAIGHT, SECRETARY.
" J. DIXON CARDER, ASSISTANT SECRETARY.
Mr. CHARLES N. S. ROWLAND, TREASURER.

STANDING COMMITTEE.

Rev. William Berrian, D. D.	Messrs. Thomas L. Ogden,
Thomas Lyell, D. D.	Floyd Smith,
John M'Vickar, D. D.,	Murray Hoffman,
Thomas H. Taylor, D. D.	Gulian C. Verplanck.

DELEGATES TO THE GENERAL CONVENTION.

Rev. Thomas Lyell, D. D.	Messrs. Peter A. Jay,
Henry Anthon, D. D.	Thomas L. Ogden,
	Stephen Warren,
	James Emmott.

SUPPLEMENTAL DELEGATES.

Rev. Manton Eastburn, D. D.	Messrs. Floyd Smith,
John M'Vickar, D. D.	Gulian C. Verplanck,
William Berrian, D. D.	William Johnson,
	Samuel Jones.

TRUSTEES OF THE EPISCOPAL FUND.

Messrs. William H. Harison, Messrs. Thomas Swords,
 William Johnson, Christopher Wolfe,
 Mr. William Bard.

TRUSTEES OF THE FUND FOR AGED AND INFIRM
CLERGYMEN.

[Not appointed.]

SPECIAL COMMITTEES.

ON A PLACE OF DEPOSIT FOR THE RECORDS OF CONVENTION. The Secretary, the Treasurer, and William H. Harison, Esq. [See page 41.]

ON RULES FOR THE CONDUCT OF THE ELECTION OF DEPUTIES TO THE GENERAL CONVENTION, &c. Thomas L. Ogden, Esq., Rev. William Berrian, D. D., Rev. William Creighton, D. D., Peter A. Jay, Esq., and Gulian C. Verplanck, Esq. [See page 43.]

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No. VIII.

STATISTICS OF THE DIOCESE.

(FROM THE EPISCOPAL ADDRESS, THE PAROCHIAL AND MISSIONARY REPORTS, ETC.)

CLERGY,	196
CONGREGATIONS,	155
ORDINATIONS, (Priests 8, Deacons, 16,)	24
INSTITUTIONS,	4
CANDIDATES FOR ORDERS, of whom 20 are Students of the General Theological Seminary,	46
CHURCHES, Corner-stones laid,	4
Consecrated,	5
BAPTISMS, 76 Reports, Adults,	329
99 " Children,	2089
6 " not specified,	130
	2548
CONFIRMATIONS,	690
MARRIAGES, 99 Reports,	747
FUNERALS, 109 "	1433
CATECHUMENS, including Sunday scholars, members of Bi- ble Classes, and others, 64 Reports,	8010

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ATECHISTS or Sunday school teachers, 46 Reports,	912
COMMUNICANTS, added as new, 50 Reports,	507
Whole number, 111 "	10622

CONTRIBUTIONS.

EDUCATION AND MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF THE DIOCESE—

Education Fund,	67 Reports,	\$ 774 37
Missionary Fund,	76 "	1783 31½
Not specified,	12 "	555 90

\$3113 58½

PISCOPAL FUND	65 "	543 24
OCESAN FUND,	71 "	620 11

EW YORK BIBLE AND COMMONPRAYER BOOK So-		
CIETY, 27 Reports,		548 12

OTESTANT EPISCOPAL TRACT SOCIETY, 26 Reports,		369 64
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EW YORK PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CITY MISSION So-		
CIETY, 4 Reports,		770 06

ENERAL THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY, 16 Reports,		708 67½
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ENERAL PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL SUNDAY SCHOOL		
UNION, 10 Reports,		267 04

BOARD OF MISSIONS OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN THE UNITED STATES—

Domestic Committee, 34 Reports,	\$2237 16
Foreign Committee, 24 "	1761 97
Not specified, 1 Report,	83 25

4082 38

MISSIONS, (with no other designation) 2 Reports,	285 02½
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ISCELLANEOUS CHURCH PURPOSES, 54 "	25811 87
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TOTAL AMOUNT OF CONTRIBUTIONS REPORTED, \$37119 74½

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No. IX.

LIST OF CHURCHES IN THE DIOCESE OF NEW YORK.

Albany county,	Albany,	St. Paul's.
		St. Peter's.
		Trinity.
	Cohoes,	St. John's.
	Rensselaerville,	Trinity.
	West Troy,	Trinity, with St.
		Luke's Chapel.
Clinton county,	Plattsburgh,	Trinity.
Columbia county,	Hudson,	Christ.
Delaware county,	Delhi,	St. John's.
	Hobart,	St. Peter's.
	Walton,	Christ.
Dutchess county,	Fishkill,	Trinity.
	Fishkill Landing,	St. Anna's.
	Hyde Park,	St. James'.
	Lithgow,	St. Peter's.
	Pawlings,	St. Peter's.
	Pleasant Valley,	St. Paul's.
	Poughkeepsie,	Christ.
		St. Paul's.
	Red Hook,	St. Paul's.
	Wappinger's Creek,	Zion.
Essex county,	Moriah,	Ch. of the Covenant.
	Ticonderoga,	Ch. of the Cross.
Franklin county,	Malone,	St. Mark's.
Fulton county,	Johnstown,	St. John's.
Greene county,	Athens,	Trinity.
	Cairo,	Calvary.
	Cattskill,	St. Luke's.
	Greeneville,	Christ.
	Oak Hill,	St. Paul's.
	Windham,	Trinity.
Herkimer county,	Fairfield,	Trinity.
	Little Falls,	Emmanuel.
	Mohawk,	St. Luke's.
	Norway,	Grace,

g's county,	Brooklyn,	Calvary. Christ. Emmanuel. St. Ann's. St. John's. St. Mary's. Trinity.
	Flatbush, Fort Hamilton, Williamsburgh,	St. Paul's. St. John's. St. Mark's.
gomey county, Fonda,	Port Jackson,	St. Stephen's. St. Ann's.
r York City and county,		All Saint's. Annunciation. Ascension. Calvary. Christ. Epiphany, (Mission.) Grace. Holy Evangelists, (M) Nativity. St. Andrew's. St. Bartholomew's. St. Clement's. St. Esprit, (French.) St. George's. St. James'. St. Luke's. St. Mark's. St. Mary's. St. Michael's. St. Peter's. St. Philip's, (colored.) St. Stephen's. St. Thomas'. Trinity, with St. Paul's and St. John's Chapels.
ge county,	Goshen, Newburgh, New Windsor, Walden,	Zion. St. James'. St. George's. St. Thomas'. St. Andrew's.
go county,	Cooperstown, Exeter, Gilbertsville, Louisville, Monticello, Otego, Unadilla,	Christ, St. John's. Christ. Zion. St. Luke's. Immanuel. St. Matthew's.

Orsego county,	Westford,	St. Timothy's.
Putnam county,	Cold Spring,	St. Mary's in the Highlands.
	Patterson,	Christ.
	Phillipstown,	St. Philip's in the Highlands.
Queen's county,	Astoria,	St. George's.
	Cold Spring Harbor,	St. John's.
	Flushing,	St. George's.
	Glen Cove,	St. Paul's.
	Hempstead,	St. George's, with Trinity Chapel, Rockaway.
	Hempstead Harbor,	St. Mary's.
	Jamaica,	Grace.
	Little Neck,	Zion.
	Manhasset,	Christ.
	Newtown,	St. James'.
	Oyster Bay,	Christ.
	Ravenswood,	St. Thomas'.
Rensselaer county,	Hoosick Falls,	St. Mark's.
	Lansingburgh,	Trinity.
	Troy,	Christ.
		St. John's.
		St. Paul's.
Richmond county,	Richmond,	St. Andrew's, with Trinity Chapel, Factoryville.
		St. Paul's.
Saratoga county,	Tompkinsville,	Christ.
	Ballston Spa,	St. Paul's.
	Charlton,	St. Luke's.
	Mechanicville,	St. James'.
	Milton,	Bethesda.
	Saratoga Springs,	St. John's.
	Stillwater,	Grace.
	Waterford,	St. Mary's.
	West Charlton,	Christ.
Schenectady county,	Duanesburgh.	St. George's.
	Schenectady,	Grace.
St. Lawrence county,	Canton,	Christ.
	Morristown,	St. John's.
	Ogdensburgh,	Trinity.
	Potsdam,	St. Paul's.
	Waddington,	St. John's.
Suffolk county,	Huntington,	St. John's.
	Islip,	Caroline.
	Setauket,	St. John's.
Sullivan county,	Monticello,	St. John's.
Ulster county,	Kingston,	St. John's.

r county,	Marlborough,	Christ.
	Ulster,	Trinity.
en county,	Glen's Falls,	Church of the Mes-
		siah.
ington county,	Granville,	Trinity.
	Hampton.	Christ, with St. Si-
		mon's Chapel.
	Sandy Hill,	Zion.
	Whitehall,	St. Paul's.
chester county,	Bedford,	St. Matthew's.
	Eastchester,	St. Paul's.
	Greenburgh,	Zion.
	Mamaroneck,	St. Thomas'.
	Morrisania,	St. Ann's.
	New Rochelle,	Trinity.
	North Salem,	St. James'.
	Peekskill,	St. Peter's, with St.
		Peter's Chapel.
	Rye,	Christ.
	Sing Sing,	St. Paul's.
	Somers,	St. Luke's.
	Tarrytown,	Christ,
	Westchester,	St. Peter's.
	Whiteplains,	Grace.
	Yonkers,	St. John's, with a
		Chapel at Tuckahoe
		Total, 156.

APPENDIX.

No. X.

CHES ADMITTED INTO UNION AT THIS CONVENTION.

county,	Moriah,	Church of the Covenant.
s county,	Brooklyn,	Calvary.
		Emmanuel.
chester county,	Morrisania,	St. Ann's.
		Total, 4.

APPENDIX.

NO. XI.

RULES AND REGULATIONS RESPECTING BENEFICIARIES OF THE EDUCATION BOARD OF THE EDUCATION AND MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF THE DIOCESE.

1. No beneficiary shall be received under 16 years of age, nor until he has been confirmed and become a communicant of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

2. Every applicant must produce a certificate from a Clergyman, stating that he is personally acquainted with said applicant, and believes him to be of established religious and moral character; and has also such confidence in his good disposition and temper, as to believe him a suitable person to be encouraged for preparation for the holy ministry.

3. Every applicant must produce a certificate from some approved teacher with whom he has studied, stating that his past progress in study has evinced great aptitude for learning, and great industry in application.

4. Every applicant must produce the written consent of his bishop, or if there be no bishop, the ecclesiastical authority of his diocese, to his subscribing a pledge to go through the whole course of study in the General Theological Seminary, except he may be excused therefrom by the Education Board; and he shall subscribe such pledge accordingly.

5. Every applicant must lay before the Education Committee a full and satisfactory account of his pecuniary needs and resources, and the said committee shall assign him such an amount of aid, as in their opinion is necessary for his comfortable and proper support during his studies; provided, the said amount shall in no case exceed such sum as may from time to time be fixed by the Education Board as a maximum.

6. No beneficiary of this society shall be allowed to engage in teaching or other employment which may interfere with his undivided attention to study.

7. No married man shall be aided by this Society.

8. Every beneficiary shall report himself to the Education Committee at least once in six months, giving a satisfactory account of his conduct and progress in study.

9. Application for aid must be made to the Education Committee, and the required preliminary documents laid before them, in time to be reported on by them, at a meeting of the Board to be held on the Saturday next preceding the annual meeting of the trustees of the General Theological Seminary;* and the Board cannot engage to render assistance during the year commencing October 1st, to any whose cases have not been favorably acted upon at the above-mentioned meeting.

10. Every beneficiary preparing for the Seminary must pursue his studies in some literary institution, or under some instructor, approved of by the Education Committee.

11. No person or body shall have the right of nominating to a benefice, without engaging to furnish at least two-thirds of the amount which the Education Committee shall deem proper for the proposed beneficiary.

* This meeting is held on the day next preceding the fourth Tuesday in June.

APPENDIX.

No. XII.

A TABLE,

giving the name of every Church and Chapel in the Diocese of New York, the sums contributed by each to the EPISCOPAL, DIOCESAN, EDUCATION, and MISSIONARY FUNDS, respectively, for the years 1840—1, in compliance with RESOLUTIONS 12, 14, and 15, prepared and published by order of the Convention, by the Secretary of the same, with the aid of the Treasurers of the Funds.

Counties.	Churches and Chapels.	Ministers.	Episcopal.	Dioce-san.	Educa-tion.	Mis-sion'y.
Albany,	Albany, St. Paul's,	Rev. W. I. Kip,	10 00	10 00		80 12
	St. Peter's,	H. Potter, D.D.	50 00	30 00	37 50	37 50
	Trinity,	J. Dowdney,	1 00	7 50	1 50	4 00
	Cohoes, St. John's,	D. J. Burger,		5 62		5 17
	Rensselaerville, Trinity,	(S. Fuller,				
Saratoga,	West Troy, Trinity,	R. Washbon,	1 00	5 75	4 25	20 25
	Plattsburgh, Trinity,	W. H. A. Bissell,	2 00	7 50	2 40	7 32
	Hudson, Christ,	J. H. Coit,				
	Delhi, St. John's,	P. T. Babbit,	5 00	12 06	13 00	9 00
	Hobart, St. Peter's,	T. S. Judd,	1 00	6 00	4 00	4 00
Schenectady,	Walton, Christ,					
	Fishkill, Trinity,	R. Shaw,	1 00	4 50	1 00	9 00
	Fish. Land. St. Anna's,	F. Clarkson,	4 00	7 50	5 50	15 00
	Hyde Park, St. James',	R. Sherwood, D. D.	10 00	12 00	20 00	35 00
	Lithgow, St. Peter's,					
Schoharie,	Pawling's,	S. Davis,				
	Pleasant Valley, St. Paul's,					
	Poughkeepsie, Christ,	J. Reed, D. D.			16 12	26 75
	St. Paul's,	F. W. Hatch,				
	Red Hook, St. Paul's,	R. Kearny,			10 00	12 00
Ulster,	Wappinger's Creek, Zion,	G. B. Andrews,				
	Moriali, Church of the Coven- enant,					
	Ticonderoga, Church of the Cross,	H. M. Davis,	3 00	4 00	7 00	8 00
	Malone, St. Mark's,					
	Johnstown, St. John's,	S. Wheaton, D. D.		7 50		13 00
Warren,	Athens, Trinity,	T. Mallaby,	2 00	6 00	4 56	5 00
	Cairo, Calvary,	G. Sayres,	31	3 75	1 10	5 15
	Catskill, St. Luke's,	J. F. Phillips,	5 00	9 00	2 06	16 00
	Greenville, Christ,	R. Washbon,	60		2 00	3 00
Washington,	Oak Hill, St. Paul's,	J. Thompson,				7 35
	Windham, Trinity,					
	Fairfield, Trinity,	W. Baker,	1 00	4 50	2 00	10 00
	Little Falls, Immanuel,	W. S. Bartlett,	3 00	5 62	5 00	39 50
	Mohawk, St. Luke's,					
Westchester,	Norway, Grace,	W. Baker,	1 00		1 50	9 00
	Brooklyn, Calvary,	W. H. Lewis,				
	Christ,	T. S. Stone, D. D.		30 00	33 54	33 54
	Emmanuel,	K. Goddard,				
	St. Ann's,	B. C. Cutler, D. D.		27 00		111 62
Yonkers,	St. Johns,	E. M. Johnson,				46 54
	St. Mary's,	J. Hunter,			3 75	5 00
	Trinity,					
	Flatbush, St. Paul's,	W. Barlow,				
	Fort Hamilton, St. John's,	J. D. Carder,	1 03	1 09	2 45	5 19
Rockland,	Williamsburgh, St. Mark's,	S. M. Haskins,	2 00	2 00	2 00	2 00
	Fonda, St. Stephen's,					
	Port Jackson, St. Ann's,	O. H. Smith,	50	6 75	1 54	3 50
	New York, All Saints',	B. I. Haight,	20 00	37 50	50 00	206 75
	Annunciation,	S. Seabury, D. D.	8 55	14 22	29 76	38 15
Orange,	Ascension,	M. Eastburn, D. D.				181 23*
	Calvary,	C. Jones,		2 51	2 51	4 00
	Christ,	T. Lyell, D. D. }		22 00	25 00	
		I. Peck,				
	Epiphany,	L. Jones,			10 86	11 00
Sullivan,	Grace,	T. H. Taylor, D. D.	45 00	100 00	370 00	

Counties.	Churches and Chapels.	Ministers.	Epis- copal.	Dioc- esan.	Educa- tion.	Mis- sion'y.
New York,	New York, Holy Evangelists	Rev. J. Pound,				15 31
	Nativity,	C. Clapp,		3 60	2 25	3 31
	St. Andrew's,	J. R. Bayley,				
	St. Bartholo- mew's,	L. P. W. Balch,	17 50		53 32	53 22
	St. Clement's,	E. N. Mead,			25 50	48 81
	St. Esprit,	A. Verren,				
	St. George's,	J. Milnor, D. D. }	36 68	30 00	50 00	100 00
	St. James',	J. W. Cooke,		6 75		
	St. Luke's,	J. C. Richmond,		22 50	100 00	100 00
	St. Mark's,	H. Anthon, D. D.		45 00		107 80
	St. Mary's,	J. C. Richmond,			15 15	
	St. Michael's,	J. C. Richmond,			15 00	28 55
	St. Peter's,	H. Smith, D. D.	19 04	15 00	31 45	28 55
	St. Stephen's,	J. H. Price,	9 00	30 00		169 03
	St. Thomas',	F. L. Hawks, D.D. }	22 50	52 50		500 59
Orange,	Trinity,	I. Pardee,			600 00	
	St. Paul's,	W. Berrian, D. D. }			13 00	125 03
	St. John's,	J. M. Wainwright, "	70 72	180 00		134 05
	Zion,	E. Y. Higbee,	90 07			134 05
	Goshen, St. James',	W. Richmond,	11 00	18 00	17 63	30 00
	Newburgh, St. George's,	J. A. Spencer,	12 25	7 50	10 00	29 12
	New Windsor, St. Thomas,	J. Brown, D. D.	17 00	12 00	20 00	40 00
	Walden, St. Andrew's,	J. Brown, D. D.			3 92	2 92
	Cooperstown, Christ,	H. W. Sweetzer,			6 65	14 85
	Exeter, St. John's,	F. T. Tiffany,				6 37
Otsego,	Gilbertsville, Christ,	J. Hughes,	2 00	2 00	6 00	13 50
	Louisville, Zion,	J. Ransom,		7 50	5 10	9 25
	Monticello, St. Luke's,	A. B. Beach,	2 00	3 00		17 63
	Otego, Immanuel,	J. Hughes,				4 50
Putnam,	Unadilla, St. Matthew's,	N. H. Adams,	1 00	7 50	7 00	14 50
	Westford, St. Timothy's,	S. Gilbert,				
	Cold Spring, St. Mary's,	E. Williams,				
	Patterson, Christ,	S. Davis,	1 05	5 00	1 00	1 00
Queens,	Phillipstown, St. Philip's,	E. Williams,				
	Astoria, St. George's,	J. W. Brown,				
	Cold Spring Harbor, St. John's,	I. Sherwood,	1 00	3 00	2 00	6 00
	Flushing, St. George's,	F. J. Goodwin,	10 00	10 00		
	Glen Cove, St. Paul's,	J. P. F. Clarke,	3 38	1 00	2 03	10 66
	Oyster Bay, Christ,	W. M. Carmichael,				
	Hempstead, St. George's,	D. D.	3 28	3 28		6 00
	Rockaway, Trinity,					
	Hempstead Harbor, St. Mary's,					
	Jamaica, Grace,	W. L. Johnson,	5 00	5 00		
	Little Neck, Zion,				13 30	
	Manhasset, Christ,	J. P. F. Clarke,	7 72	7 50	5 00	15 55
	Newtown, St. James',	G. A. Shelton,	3 00	7 50		12 00
	Ravenswood, St. Thomas',					
	Hoosick Falls, St. Mark's,					
Rensselaer,	Lansingburgh, Trinity,	A. T. Twing,	5 00	10 00	10 00	30 00
	Troy, Christ,	E. Ingersoll,	6 61	6 35	4 21	6 58
	St. John's,	R. Cox,	5 00	9 00	15 00	12 00
	St. Paul's,	R. B. VanKleeck,	10 00	30 00	40 00	160 00
Richmond,	Richmond, St. Andrew's,	D. Moore, D.D.	10 68	8 07	18 87	21 49
	Factoryville, Trinity Chap.					
Saratoga,	Tompkinsville, St. Paul's,	W. Walton,	3 20	9 75	17 15	41 00
	Ballston Spa, Christ,	D. Babcock,	1 00	6 00	3 57	10 00
	Charlton, St. Paul's,	E. Davis,			5 00	5 00
	Mechanicville, St. Luke's,	R. Hubbard,				
	Milton, St. James',					
Schenectady,	Saratoga Springs, Bethesda,	W. F. Walker,	1 00	12 00	7 00	7 00
	Stillwater, St. John's,	R. Hubbard,				
	Waterford, Grace,	G. B. Eastman,	1 00	6 00	1 00	4 37
	West Charlton, St. Mary's,	O. H. Smith,				
	Duanesburgh, Christ,	W. B. Thomas,	5 00	7 50	17 00	30 25
St Lawrence,	Schenectady, St. George's,	W. H. Walter,	10 00	15 00	17 25	22 75
	Canton, Grace,	J. A. Brayton,		4 12		12 00
	Morristown, Christ,				5 00	5 00
	Ogdensburgh, St. John's,	H. R. Peters,	4 00	10 50		25 00
	Potsdam, Trinity,	A. K. Putnam,	1 00	9 00	1 00	11 60
	Waddington, St. Paul's,	J. A. Childs,		6 00		

Counties.	Churches and Chapels.	Ministers.	Episcopal.	Diocesan.	Education.	Missionary.
Albany,	Huntington, S. John's,	Rev. I. Sherwood,		2 50	1 00	3 00
	Islip, St. John's,	C. Seabury,	1 00			7 10
	Setauket, Caroline,	C. Seabury,				5 00
Columbia,	Monticello, St. John's,	E. K. Fowler,			5 00	5 00
Delaware,	Kingston, St. John's,	W. A. Curtis,		5 62	2 62	3 00
	Marlborough, Christ,	G. W. Fash,	1 00	4 12	1 23	2 37
	Ulster, Trinity,	H. Adams,	4 00	6 00	5 00	*10 61
Greene,	Glen's Falls, Ch. of the Mes-	J. A. Spooner,				
	siah,					
Richmond,	Granville, Trinity,					
	Hampton, Christ,	L. M. Purdy,	1 00	2 00	4 00	6 00
	Do. St. Simon's Chapel,					
	Sandy Hill, Zion,	J. A. Spooner,	7 25	4 50		*10 70
	Whitehall, St. Paul's,	P. Dyer,	1 79	1 06	1 81	3 59
Westchester,	Bedford, St. Matthew's,	A. H. Partridge,	2 40	2 30	4 50	4 50
	Eastchester, St. Paul's,	R. Bolton,				
	Greenburgh, Zion,	W. Creighton, D. D.,			19 00	35 00
	Mamaroneck, St. Thomas,	J. M. Ward,	2 35	4 41	2 50	3 30
	Morrisania, St. Ann's,	A. C. Coxe,				
	New Rochelle, Trinity,	T. W. Coit, D.D.,	5 00	12 75	20 50	60 78
	North Salem, St. James',					
	Peekskill, St. Peter's,	M. Marcus,	4 00	2 50	4 87	7 00
	Rye, Christ,	P. S. Chauncey,	5 50	7 00		31 50
	Sing Sing, St. Paul's,	C. H. Halsey,	7 57	9 00	18 04	17 69
	Somers, St. Luke's,					
	Tarry Town, Christ,	W. Creighton, D. D.,				21 00
	Westchester, St. Peter's,	W. Powell,	7 86	9 75	16 96	25 00
	Whiteplains, Grace,	R. W. Harris,	4 79	2 00	13 70	21 00
	Yonkers, St. John's, }	H. L. Storrs,	7 00	5 50	15 00	30 00
	Tuckahoe Chapel, }					

SUMMARY:

To the Episcopal Fund,	\$ 604 18
" Diocesan Fund,	1073 45
" Education Fund,	1698 83
" Missionary Fund,	3727 46

The sums in the column of the Missionary Fund, marked with an Asterisk, were Contributions to the General Disposable Fund of the E. and M. Society:

* Out of 154 Churches and Chapels,

82 have not contributed to the Episcopal Fund,
65 have not contributed to the Diocesan Fund,
69 have not contributed to the Education Fund,
49 have not contributed to the Missionary Fund.

APPENDIX.

No. XIII.

CONSTITUTION OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH

IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

As Amended in General Convention, 1841.

ARTICLE I.

There shall be a General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, on the first Wednesday in October, in every third year, from the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty-one, and in such place, as shall be determined by the Convention ; and in case there shall be an epidemic disease, or any other good cause to render it necessary to alter the place fixed on for any such meeting of the Convention, the presiding Bishop shall have it in his power to appoint another convenient place (as near as may be to the place so fixed on) for the holding of such Convention ; and special meetings may be called at other times, in the manner hereafter to be provided for ; and this Church, in a majority of the Dioceses which shall have adopted this Constitution, shall be represented, before they shall proceed to business ; except that the representation from two Dioceses shall be sufficient to adjourn : and in all business of the Convention, freedom of debate shall be allowed.

ARTICLE II.

The Church in each Diocese shall be entitled to a representation of both the Clergy and the Laity, which representation shall consist of one or more deputies, not exceeding four of each order, chosen by the Convention of the Diocese ; and in all questions, when required by the Clerical and Lay representation from any Diocese, each order shall have one vote ; and the majority of suffrages by Dioceses shall be conclusive in each order, provided such majority comprehend a majority of the Dioceses represented in that order. The concurrence of both orders shall be necessary to constitute a vote of the Convention. If the Convention of any Diocese should neglect or decline to appoint Clerical Deputies, or if they should neglect or decline to appoint Lay Deputies, or if any of those of either order appointed, should neglect to attend, or be prevented by sickness or any other accident, such Diocese shall nevertheless be considered as duly represented by such deputy or deputies as may attend, whether Lay or Clerical. And if, through the neglect of the Convention of any of the Churches which shall have adopted, or may hereafter adopt, this Constitution, no Deputies, either Lay or Clerical, should attend at any General Convention, the Church in such Diocese shall nevertheless be bound by the acts of such Convention.

ARTICLE III.

The Bishops of this Church, when there shall be three or more, shall, whenever General Conventions are held, form a separate House, with a right to originate and propose acts, for the concurrence of the House of Deputies, composed of Clergy and Laity; and when any proposed act shall have passed the House of Deputies, the same shall be transmitted to the House of Bishops, who shall have a negative thereupon; and all acts of the Convention shall be authenticated by both Houses. And in all cases, the House of Bishops shall signify to the Convention their approbation or disapprobation, (the latter with their reasons in writing,) within three days after the proposed act shall have been reported to them for concurrence; and in failure thereof, it shall have the operation of a law. But until there shall be three or more Bishops, as aforesaid, any Bishop attending a General Convention shall be a member *ex officio*, and shall vote with the Clerical Deputies of the Diocese to which he belongs; and a Bishop shall then preside.

ARTICLE IV.

The Bishop or Bishops in every Diocese shall be chosen agreeably to such rules as shall be fixed by the Convention of that Diocese; and every Bishop of this Church shall confine the exercise of his Episcopal office to his proper Diocese or district, unless requested to ordain or confirm, or perform any other act of the Episcopal office, by any church destitute of a Bishop.

ARTICLE V.

A Protestant Episcopal Church in any of the United States, or any Territory thereof, not now represented, may, at any time hereafter, be admitted on acceding to this Constitution; and a new Diocese to be formed from one or more existing Dioceses, may be admitted under the following restrictions:

No new Diocese shall be formed or erected within the limits of any other Diocese, nor shall any Diocese be formed by the junction of two or more Dioceses, or parts of Dioceses, unless with the consent of the Bishop and Convention of each of the Dioceses concerned, as well as of the General Convention.

No such new Diocese shall be formed, which shall contain less than eight thousand square miles in one body, and thirty Presbyters, who have been for at least one year canonically resident within the bounds of such new Diocese, regularly settled in a parish or congregation, and qualified to vote for a Bishop. Nor shall such new Diocese be formed, if thereby any existing Diocese shall be so reduced as to contain less than eight thousand square miles, or less than thirty Presbyters, who have been residing therein, and settled and qualified as above mentioned.

In case one Diocese shall be divided into two Dioceses, the Diocesan of the Diocese divided, may elect the one to which he will be attached, and shall thereupon become the Diocesan thereof. And the Assistant Bishop, if there be one, may elect the one to which he will be attached; and if it be not the one elected by the Bishop, he shall be the Diocesan thereof.

Whenever the division of a Diocese into two Dioceses shall be ratified by the General Convention, each of the two Dioceses shall be subject to the Constitution and Canons of the Diocese so divided, except as local circumstances may prevent, until the same may be altered in either Diocese by the Convention thereof. And whenever a Diocese shall be formed out of two or more existing Dioceses, the new Diocese shall be subject to the Constitution and Canons of that one of the said existing Diocese, to which the greater number of Clergymen shall have belonged prior to the erection of such new Diocese, until the same may be altered by the Convention of the new Diocese.

ARTICLE VI.

The mode of trying Bishops shall be provided by the General Convention. The Court appointed for that purpose, shall be composed of Bishops only. In every Diocese, the mode of trying Presbyters and Deacons, may be instituted

by the Convention of the Diocese. None but a Bishop shall pronounce sentence of admonition, suspension, or degradation from the Ministry, on any Clergyman, whether Bishop, Presbyter, or Deacon.

ARTICLE VII.

No person shall be admitted to Holy Orders, until he shall have been examined by the Bishop, and by two Presbyters, and shall have exhibited such testimonials and other requisites as the Canons, in that case provided, may direct. Nor shall any person be ordained until he shall have subscribed the following declaration :

" I do believe the Holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testament to be the Word of God, and to contain all things necessary to salvation ; and I do solemnly engage to conform to the doctrines and worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church in these United States."

No person ordained by a foreign Bishop shall be permitted to officiate as a Minister of this Church, until he shall have complied with the Canon or Canons in that case provided, and have also subscribed the aforesaid declaration.

ARTICLE VIII.

A Book of Common Prayer, Administration of the Sacraments, and other Rites and Ceremonies of the Church, Articles of Religion, and a form and Manner of Making, Ordaining and Consecrating Bishops, Priests, and Deacons, when established by this or a future General Convention, shall be used in the Protestant Episcopal Church in those Dioceses which shall have adopted this Constitution. No alteration or addition shall be made in the Book of Common Prayer, or other offices of the Church, or the Articles of Religion, unless the same shall be proposed in one General Convention, and by a resolve thereof made known to the Convention of every Diocese, and adopted at the subsequent General Convention.

ARTICLE IX.

This Constitution shall be unalterable, unless in General Convention, by the Church, in a majority of the Dioceses which may have adopted the same ; and all alterations shall be first proposed in one General Convention, and made known to the several Diocesan Conventions, before they shall be finally agreed to or ratified in the ensuing General Convention.

Done in the General Convention of the Bishops, Clergy, and Laity of the Church, the 2d day of October, 1789.

NOTE.—When the Constitution was originally adopted, in August, 1789, the first article provided that the Triennial Convention should be held on the *first Tuesday in August*. At the adjourned meeting of the Convention, held in October of the same year, it was provided that the *second Tuesday in September, in every third year*, should be the time of meeting. The time was again changed to the *third Tuesday in May*, by the General Convention of 1804. In General Convention, 1823, the Constitution was changed, so as to allow each Convention to determine the period of the third year thereafter, for the meeting of the next.

The first article was put into its present form at the General Convention of 1841.

The third article was so altered by the General Convention of 1808, as to give the House of Bishops a full veto upon the proceedings of the other House.

The second sentence of the eighth article was adopted at the General Convention of 1811.

The words, " or the Articles of Religion," were added to the eighth article by the General Convention of 1829.

The fifth article was put into its present form at the General Convention of 1838.

The same Convention adopted the following alterations:

Strike out the word "States," wherever it occurs in the first and second articles, except where it follows the word "United," in the first part of the first article, and insert in lieu of the word "States," the word "Dioceses." Strike out the word "State," wherever it occurs in the second, third, and fourth articles, and insert in lieu thereof the word "Diocese."

Strike out the words "or District," in the fourth article.

Strike out the word "State," in the sixth article, and insert the word "Diocese."

Strike out the word "States," in the eighth article, and insert the word "Dioceses;" and in the eighth article strike out the words, "or States," after the words, "every Diocese."

Strike out the word "States," in the ninth article, and insert the word "Dioceses." Strike out the word "State," in the ninth article, and insert the word "Diocesan."

The sixth article was put into its present form at the General Convention of 1841.

C A N O N S

For the Government of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America. Passed in General Convention, in New York, October, 1841.

CANON I.

Of the Treasurer of the Convention.

At every Triennial Meeting of the General Convention, a Treasurer shall be chosen, who shall remain in office until the next stated Convention, and until a successor be appointed. It shall be his duty to receive and disburse all moneys collected under the authority of the Convention, and of which the collection and distribution shall not otherwise be regulated; and to invest, from time to time, for the benefit of the Convention, such surplus funds as he may have on hand. His accounts shall be rendered triennially to the Convention, and shall be examined by a Committee acting under its authority. In case of a vacancy in the office of Treasurer, it shall be supplied by an appointment to be made by the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese to which he belonged; and the person so appointed, shall continue to act until an appointment is made by the Convention.

CANON II.

Of a Clergyman Absenting himself from his Diocese.

When a Clergyman has been absent from his Diocese during two years, without reasons satisfactory to the Bishop thereof, he shall be required by the Bishop to declare in writing the cause, or causes, of his absence; and if he refuse to give his reasons, or if these are deemed insufficient by the Bishop, the Bishop may, with the advice and consent of the Clerical Members of the Standing Committee, suspend him from the Ministry; which suspension shall continue until he shall give in writing, sufficient reasons for his absence; or, until he shall renew his residence in his Diocese; or, until he shall renounce the Ministry, according to Canon 39th of 1832. In the case of such suspension, as above provided for, it shall be the duty of the Bishop to give notice thereof to every Bishop of this Church, and to the Standing Committee of every Diocese wherein there is no Bishop.

CANON III.

Of the Election of a Missionary Bishop to the office of Diocesan Bishop.

SECT. 1. When a Diocese entitled, agreeably to the second section of the 1st Canon of 1838, to the choice of a Bishop, shall elect as its Diocesan a Missionary Bishop of this Church; if such election have taken place within three months before a meeting of the General Convention, evidence thereof shall be laid before each House of the General Convention, and the concurrence of each House, and its express consent, shall be necessary to the validity of said election, and shall complete the same; so that the Bishop thus elected, shall be thereafter the Bishop of the Diocese which has elected him.

SECT. 2. If the said election have taken place more than three months before a meeting of the General Convention, the above process may be adopted, or the following instead thereof, viz.: The Standing Committee of the Diocese electing, shall give duly certified evidence of the election to every Bishop of this Church, and to the Standing Committee of every Diocese. On receiving notice of the concurrence of a majority of the Bishops, and a majority of the Standing Committees, in the election, and their express consent thereto, the Standing Committee of the Diocese concerned, shall transmit notice thereof to every Bishop of this Church, and to the Standing Committee of each vacant Diocese, which notice shall state what Bishops and what Standing Committees have consented to the election. And the same Committee shall transmit to every Congregation in the Diocese concerned, to be publicly read therein, a notice of the election to the Episcopate thereof of the Bishop thus elected; and also cause public notice thereof to be given in such other way as they may think proper.

SECT. 3. When, agreeably to the first section of the 1st Canon of 1838, a Diocese requests the General Convention to elect a Bishop for the same, if the House of Bishops should nominate a Missionary Bishop to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, a vote of the said House of Deputies concurring in the nomination, shall complete the election of the said Missionary Bishop to the Diocesan charge of the Diocese concerned.

CANON IV.

On the Trial of Bishops.

SECT. 1. A Bishop may be presented to the Bishops of this Church, by the Convention of his Diocese for any crime or immorality, for heresy, or for violation of the Constitution or Canons of this Church, or of the Diocese to which he belongs, provided always, that two-thirds of each order, Clergy and Laity, concur in the same. He may also be presented to the Bishops, by any three Bishops.

SECT. 2. The presentment shall be addressed to the Presiding Bishop, who shall give notice with all convenient speed to the several Bishops then being within the territory of the United States, appointing a time and place for their assembling together; and any number thereof, being not less than seven, other than the Bishops presenting, then and there assembled, shall be a quorum, for the purpose of ordering all matters concerning the said presentment. But if the Presiding Bishop be the subject of the presentment, it shall be addressed to the next Bishop in the order of seniority.

CANON V.

Of the Preparatory Exercises of a Candidate for Deacon's Orders.

[Former Canons on this subject were the sixth of 1795, the tenth of 1808, and the 14th of 1832.]

SECT. 1. There shall be assigned to every Candidate for Deacon's Orders, three different examinations, at such times and places as the Bishop to whom he applies for Orders, shall appoint. The examinations shall take place in the presence of the Bishop and two or more Presbyters, on the following studies prescribed by the Canons, and by the course of study established by the House of Bishops. At the first examination, on the books of Scripture: the Candidate

being required to give an account of the different books, and to translate from the original Hebrew and Greek, and to explain such passages as may be proposed to him. At the second examination—on the Evidences of Christianity, and Systematic Divinity. And at the last examination—on Church History, Ecclesiastical Polity, the Book of Common Prayer, and the Constitution and Canons of the Church, and of the Diocese for which he is to be ordained. In the choice of books on the above subjects, the Candidate is to be guided by the course of study established by the House of Bishops. At each of the forementioned examinations, he shall produce and read a Sermon or Discourse, composed by himself, on some passage of Scripture previously assigned him, which, together with two other Sermons or discourses, on some passage of Scripture selected by himself, shall be submitted to the criticisms of the Bishop and Clergy present. And before his Ordination, he shall be required to perform such exercises in reading, in the presence of the Bishop and Clergy, as may enable them to give him such advice and instructions as may aid him in performing the service of the Church, and in delivering his Sermons with propriety and devotion.

SECT. 2. The Bishop may appoint some of his Presbyters to conduct the above examinations; and a Certificate from these Presbyters, that the prescribed examinations have been held accordingly, and satisfaction given, shall be required of the Candidate: Provided that, in this case, the Candidate shall, before his Ordination, be examined by the Bishop, and two or more Presbyters, on the above-named studies.

SECT. 3. In a Diocese where there is no Bishop, the Standing Committee shall act in his place, in appointing the examining Presbyters required by this Canon; and in this case the Candidate shall be again examined by the Bishop to whom he applies for Orders, and two or more Presbyters, on the studies prescribed by the Canons.

SECT. 4. A Clergyman who presents a person to the Bishop for Orders, as specified in the Office of Ordination, without having good grounds to believe that the requisitions of the Canons have been complied with, shall be liable to ecclesiastical censure.

SECT. 5. The 14th Canon of 1832 is hereby repealed.

CANON VI.

Of Clergymen Ordained by Foreign Bishops in Communion with this Church, and desirous of Officiating or Settling in this Church.

[Former Canons on this subject were the ninth of 1789; the fifth of 1804, the thirty-sixth of 1808, and the twenty-third of 1832; see, also, the twenty-fourth Canon of 1832.]

SECT. 1. A Clergyman coming from a foreign country, and professing to be regularly Ordained, shall, before he be permitted to officiate in any Parish or Congregation, exhibit to the Minister, or if there be no Minister, to the Vestry thereof, a Certificate, signed by the Bishop of the Diocese, or, if there be no Bishop, the Standing Committee, duly convened, that his Letters of Orders are authentic, and given by some Bishop in communion with this Church, and whose authority is acknowledged by this Church; and also that he has exhibited to the Bishop or Standing Committee, satisfactory evidence of his pious and moral character, and his Theological acquirements; and, in any case, before he shall be permitted to settle in any Church or Parish, or be received into union with any Diocese of this Church, as a Minister thereof, he shall produce to the Bishop, or if there be no Bishop, the Standing Committee, of such Diocese, a Letter of Dismission, from under the hand and seal of the Bishop, within whose Diocese he has been last connected; which letter shall be, in substance, that provided for in Section 1st of the Canon passed at this Convention, entitled, "Of Ministers removing from one Diocese to another," and shall be delivered within six months from the date thereof; and when such Clergyman shall have been so received, he shall be considered as having passed entirely from the jurisdiction of the Bishop from whom the Letter of Dismission was brought, to the full jurisdiction of the Bishop, or other ecclesiastical authority, by whom it shall have been accepted, and become thereby subject to all the

Canonical provisions of this Church ; provided that no such clergyman shall be so received into union with any Diocese, until he shall have subscribed, in the presence of the Bishop of the Diocese, in which he applies for reception, and of two or more Presbyters, the Declaration contained in the Seventh Article of the Constitution ; which being done, said Bishop, or Standing Committee, being satisfied of his Theological acquirements, may receive him into union with this Church, as a Minister of the same : provided also, that such Minister shall not be entitled to settle in any Parish or Church, as canonically in charge of the same, until he have resided one year in the United States, subsequent to the acceptance of his Letter of Dismission.

SECT. 2. And if such foreign Clergyman be a Deacon, he shall reside in the country at least three years, and obtain in this country the requisite testimonial of character, before he be ordained a Priest.

SECT. 3. The 23d Canon of 1832, is hereby repealed.

CANON VII.

Of Ministers Removing from one Diocese to another.

[Former Canons on this subject were, the 3d of 1804 ; the 31st of 1808 ; the 4th of 1829, the 35th of 1832, and the 4th of 1835.]

SECT. 1. No Minister removing from one Diocese to another, or coming from any State or Territory which may not have acceded to the Constitution of this Church, shall be received as a stated officiating Minister by any Parish of this Church, until he shall have presented to the Vestry thereof, a Certificate from the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese to which said Parish belongs, approving him as a Clergyman in regular standing. And in order to obtain such Certificate, every Minister desiring to change his canonical residence, shall lay before the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese in which he designs to reside, a testimonial from the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese in which he has last resided, in the following form, viz. :—

“ I hereby certify, that A. B., who has signified to me his desire to be transferred to the Diocese of ———, is a Presbyter (or Deacon) of this Diocese, in regular standing, and has not, so far as I know or believe, been justly liable to evil report for error in religion, or viciousness of life, during the three years last past.”

When the ecclesiastical authority think proper, further statements may be added to the above letter.

SECT. 2. But in case the Minister desiring to be transferred, has been subjected to inquiry or presentment on any charge or charges of misconduct, thereby rendering the terms of the aforesaid testimonial inadmissible, he may nevertheless be transferred, if the charges have been withdrawn with the approbation of the ecclesiastical authority, or if he have been acquitted upon trial, or if he has been censured or suspended, and the sentence has had its course, so that he has been restored to the regular discharge of his official duties. And in all such cases, the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese concerned, shall, instead of the foregoing testimonial, certify to a statement of the facts, with as much detail as may be necessary to inform the ecclesiastical authority to which he desires to be transferred, of the true standing of the party.

SECT. 3. No Clergyman, canonically under the jurisdiction of any Diocese of this Church, shall be considered as having passed from under said jurisdiction, to that of any foreign Bishop, or in any way ceased to be amenable to the laws of this Church, until he shall have taken from the Bishop, with whose Diocese he was last connected in this Church, or from the Standing Committee of such Diocese, if it have no Bishop, the letter provided for in the 1st Section of this Canon, and until the same shall have been accepted by some other Bishop, either of this or some other Church.

SECT. 4. The ecclesiastical authority, in all cases under this Canon, is to be understood to refer to the Bishop of the Diocese, or in case there be no Bishop, to the majority of the Clerical Members of the Standing Committee, duly convened. And if the Clergyman desiring to be received, come from a State or Territory not in connection with this Church, and having no Convention, then

the above testimonial or statement shall be signed by at least three Presbyters of this Church. Nor shall any Minister so removing, be acknowledged by any Bishop or Convention as a Minister of the Church to which he removes, until he shall have produced the aforesaid testimonial or statement.

SECT. 5. The above testimonial or letter of dismission, shall not affect the canonical residence of the Minister receiving it, until he shall be received into some other Diocese by the Bishop or ecclesiastical authority thereof.

SECT. 6. Whenever any Bishop of this Church, or where there is no Bishop, the Clerical Members of the Standing Committee, shall give letters of dismission to any Clergyman of the Diocese proposing to remove into another, the Bishop, or, where there is no Bishop, the Clerical Members of the Standing Committee, shall give notice of the same to the Bishop or ecclesiastical authority to whom the letters of dismission are directed; and if the clergyman to whom the letters of dismission are given, shall not present them to the Bishop or ecclesiastical authority to whom they are directed, within three months after he shall have taken up his abode in the Diocese to which he has removed, the letters of dismission shall be null and void.

SECT. 7. The 4th Canon of 1835 is hereby repealed.

CANON VIII.

Of the Mode of Securing an Accurate View of the State of the Church from time to time.

[Former Canons on this subject were the 11th of 1804; the 45th of 1808; the 3d of 1814; the 1st and 3d of 1820; the 51st of 1832, and the 7th of 1835.]

SECT. 1. As a full and accurate view of the State of the Church, from time to time, is highly useful and necessary, it is hereby ordered, that every Minister of this Church shall present, or cause to be delivered, on or before the first day of every Annual Convention, to the Bishop of the Diocese, or where there is no Bishop, to the President of the Convention, a statement of the number of Baptisms, Confirmations, Marriages, and Funerals, and of the number of Communicants in his Parish or Church, and of all other matters that may throw light on the state of the same. And every other Clergyman, not regularly settled in any Parish or Church, shall also report the occasional services he may have performed; and if he have performed no such services, the causes or reasons which have prevented the same. And these reports, or such parts of them as the Bishop shall think fit, may be read in Convention, and shall be entered on the Journals thereof.

SECT. 2. At every Annual Diocesan Convention, the Bishop shall deliver an Address, stating the affairs of the Diocese since the last meeting of the Convention; the names of the Churches which he has visited; the number of persons Confirmed; the names of those who have been received as Candidates for Orders; and of those who have been ordained, suspended, or degraded; the changes by death, removal, or otherwise, which have taken place among the Clergy; and, in general, all matters tending to throw light on the affairs of the Diocese; which Address shall be inserted on the Journals.

SECT. 3. At every General Convention, the Journals of the different Diocesan Conventions, since the last General Convention, together with such other papers, viz: Episcopal Charges, Addresses, and Pastoral Letters, as may tend to throw light on the State of the Church in each Diocese, shall be presented to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies. A Committee shall then be appointed to draw up a view of the State of the Church, and to make report to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies; which report, when agreed to by the said House, shall be sent to the House of Bishops, with a request that they will draw up, and cause to be published, a Pastoral Letter to the members of the Church. And it is hereby made the duty of every Clergyman having a Pastoral Charge, when any such letter is published, to read the said Pastoral Letter to his Congregation on some occasion of public worship.

SECT. 4. It shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Convention of every Diocese, or of the person or persons with whom the Journals or other ecclesiastical

papers are lodged, to forward to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, at every General Convention, the documents and papers specified in this Canon.

SECT. 5. It is recommended that the Bishop and Standing Committee of the Church in every Diocese, or if there be no Bishop, the Standing Committee only, prepare a condensed report and a tabular view of the State of the Church in their Diocese, previously to the meeting of every General Convention, for the purpose of aiding the Committee on the State of the Church, appointed by the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, in drafting their Report.

SECT. 6. The 7th Canon of 1835, is hereby repealed.

CANON IX.

Of Candidates for Orders.

[Former Canons on this subject were the 6th of 1793; the 7th of 1804; the 7th of 1808; the 8th of 1820; the 1st of 1823; the Canon of 1836; the 9th of 1832, and the 4th of 1838.]

SECT. 1. Every person who desires to become a Candidate for Orders in this Church, shall, in the first instance, give notice of his intention to the Bishop of the Diocese in which he intends to apply, or, if there be no Bishop, to the Standing Committee; in which notice he shall declare whether he has ever applied for admission as a Candidate in any other Diocese. No person who has previously applied for admission as a Candidate in any Diocese, and has been refused admission, or, having been admitted, has afterwards ceased to be a Candidate, shall be admitted as a Candidate in any other Diocese, until he shall have produced from the Bishop, or, if there be no Bishop, from the Standing Committee of the former Diocese, a certificate, declaring the cause for which he was refused admission, or for which he ceased to be a candidate.

SECT. 2. No person shall be considered as a Candidate for Orders in this Church, unless he shall have produced to the Bishop, to whom he intends to apply for Orders, a certificate from the Standing Committee of the Diocese of the said Bishop, that from personal knowledge, or from testimonials laid before them, they believe that he is pious, sober, and honest; that he is attached to the doctrines, discipline, and worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church, and a communicant of the same; and, in their opinion, possesses such qualifications as will render him apt and meet to exercise the ministry to the glory of God and the edifying of the Church. And when the Standing Committee do not certify as above, from personal knowledge, the testimonials laid before them shall be of the same purport, and as full as the certificate above required, and shall be signed by at least one Presbyter, and four respectable Laymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

SECT. 3. In addition to the above testimonials, the person wishing to become a Candidate must lay before the Standing Committee a satisfactory diploma, or other satisfactory evidence that he is a graduate of some University or College, or a certificate from two Presbyters appointed by the Bishop, or, where there is no Bishop, the Clerical Members of the Standing Committee, to examine him, of his having satisfactorily sustained an examination in Natural Philosophy, Moral Philosophy, and Rhetoric, and in the Greek Testament, and the Latin tongue.

SECT. 4. When a person applying to be admitted a Candidate, wishes the knowledge of the Latin, Greek, and Hebrew languages, and other branches of learning not strictly ecclesiastical, to be dispensed with, the Standing Committee shall not recommend him as a Candidate, until he has laid before them a testimonial, signed by at least two Presbyters of this Church, stating, that in their opinion, he possesses extraordinary strength of natural understanding, peculiar aptitude to teach, and a large share of prudence; and the Bishop, with the consent of the Standing Committee, shall have granted said dispensation. This dispensation shall not be granted to any person under twenty-seven years of age, nor shall any person be ordained under such dispensation, until he shall have attained thirty years of age. And in regard to the knowledge of the Hebrew language in all cases in these Canons, the Bishop shall have the discretion of dispensation, without reference to the age of the Candidate mentioned in this section.

SECT. 5. With this enumeration of qualifications it ought to be made known to the Candidate, that the Church expects of him, what can never be brought to the test of any outward standard—an inward fear and worship of ALMIGHTY GOD; a love of religion, and a sensibility to its holy influence; a habit of devout affection; and, in short, a cultivation of all those graces which are called in scripture the fruits of the Spirit, and by which alone His sacred influences can be manifested.

SECT. 6. The requisition of this Canon being fulfilled, the Bishop may admit the person as a Candidate for Orders, and shall record the same in a book to be kept for that purpose, and notify the Candidate of such record. And in any Diocese where there is no Bishop, the Standing Committee may, on the same conditions, admit the person as a Candidate, and shall make record and notification in the same manner.

SECT. 7. If, after obtaining the Canonical Testimonials from the Standing Committee, the person be admitted as a Candidate by the Bishop, or, if there be no Bishop, by the Standing Committee, he shall remain a Candidate for the term of three years before his ordination, unless the Bishop, with the consent of the Standing Committee, shall deem it expedient to ordain the Candidate after the expiration of a shorter period, not less than one year.

SECT. 8. A Candidate for Orders may, on letters of dismission from the Bishop or Standing Committee of the Diocese in which he was admitted a Candidate, be transferred to the jurisdiction of any Bishop of this Church, and if there be a Bishop within the Diocese where the Candidate resides, he shall apply to no other Bishop for ordination without the permission of the former.

SECT. 9. If any Candidate for Orders shall not, within three years after his admission, apply to have his first and second examinations held, as hereafter prescribed, or if he shall not, within five years from his admission, apply to have his third examination held, (unless the Bishop, for satisfactory reasons to him assigned, shall allow him further time,) the said person shall, in either case, cease to be a Candidate.

SECT. 10. A person desirous of becoming a Candidate for Holy Orders, shall apply to the Bishop, or, if there be no Bishop, to the Standing Committee of the Diocese in which he resides, unless the said Bishop or ecclesiastical authority shall give their consent to his application in some other Diocese. Candidates shall not change their canonical residence but for *bona fide* causes, requiring the same, to be judged of by the Bishop, or, if there be no Bishop, the Standing Committee; and they shall not be dismissed from the Dioceses in which they were admitted, or to which they have been duly transferred, for the convenience of attending any Theological or other Seminary.

SECT. 11. The 4th Canon of 1838 is hereby repealed.

Done in General Convention, in the City of New York, Oct., 1841.

By Order of the House of Bishops,
Attested, ALEXANDER V. GRISWOLD, D. D., *Presiding Bishop*.
JONATHAN M. WAINWRIGHT, D. D., *Secretary*.

By order of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies,
Attested, WILLIAM E. WYATT, D. D. *President*.
WILLIAM COOPER MEAD, D. D., *Secretary*.

APPENDIX.

NO. XIV.

CANONS

OF THE DIOCESE OF NEW YORK.

Adopted October, 1834, and Amended October, 1841.

NOTE.—The numbering is according to the code of 1834.

CANON I.

A List to be Made of Ministers in the Diocese.

SECT. 1. Within one week before the meeting of every Convention of this Diocese, the Bishop shall prepare, or cause to be prepared, a list of all the Ministers of the Protestant Episcopal Church, canonically resident in this Diocese, annexing the names of their respective Cures, or Parishes, or Stations as Missionaries, or of the Colleges, Academies, or other Seminaries of Learning, in which they are engaged, or in regard to those who are not engaged in Parishes, Missions, or Institutions of Learning as above, their places of residence only : but no Clergyman, while suspended from the ministry, shall have a place on the said list. And such list shall be laid before the Convention on the first day of meeting, and be prefixed to the Journal.

SECT. 2. The right of any Clergyman of this Diocese to a seat in the Convention, shall, if disputed, be determined according to the provisions of the third article of the Constitution, by the Convention itself ; whether his name be inserted in the list aforesaid or omitted.

CANON IV.

Of the Admission of a Church into Union with the Church in this Diocese.

SECT. 1. To entitle a Church to admission into union with the Church in this Diocese, it shall be required that the Vestry submit to the Convention, or to a Committee appointed by its authority, the certificate of incorporation, duly recorded, or a copy thereof, certified by the Clerk of the county.

SECT. 2. Every incorporated Church applying for admission into union with the Convention of this Diocese, shall also produce to the Convention a certificate of the Bishop, or in case of his absence, or of a vacancy in the Episcopate, of the major part of the Standing Committee, that he or they approve of the incorporation of such Church.

CANON IX.

Of Deputies to the General Convention.

SECT. 1. The Convention shall, at each regular annual meeting next preceding a stated meeting of the General Convention, elect, by the concurrent ballot

of the Clerical and Lay members, four Clergymen and four Laymen, to act as Deputies from this Diocese to the General Convention. It shall also, in like manner, elect four Clergymen and four Laymen as Provisional Deputies, to act in the case hereinafter mentioned ; which Deputies and Provisional Deputies, shall hold their respective stations until successors are appointed, and shall be the Deputies, or Provisional Deputies, for any General Convention which may be held during their continuance in office.

SECT. 2. Should a vacancy occur by resignation, removal from the Diocese, death, or otherwise, among the Deputies, or Provisional Deputies, between the stated times of election, the vacancy shall be supplied by any Convention, during or prior to which such vacancy shall occur.

SECT. 3. It shall be the duty of the Deputies elect, to signify to the Bishop, at least two days before the meeting of the General Convention, their acceptance of the appointment, and their intention to perform its duties : in default of which, the Bishop shall designate from the list of Provisional Deputies, so many as may be necessary to ensure, as far as practicable, a full representation of the Diocese. And the Bishop shall, in like manner, designate from the same list of Provisional Deputies, one or more, as the case may be, to supply any deficiency in the representation of this Diocese which may in any way occur. And the person or persons so designated by the Bishop, being furnished with his certificate thereof, shall have all the power and authority of Deputies duly elected by the Convention.

SECT. 4. In case of a vacancy in the Episcopate, or the inability of the Bishop to act, the power conferred upon the Bishop by this Canon shall be exercised by the Standing Committee.

CANON XIII.

Of the Episcopal Fund.

SECT. 1. Every Congregation in this Diocese shall make an annual contribution to the fund for the support of the Episcopate, until the Convention shall otherwise direct. The amount of each annual contribution shall be reported to the stated Convention next after it has been made, and shall be entered upon its Journals : and the mode to be adopted, and the measures to be taken for obtaining such annual contributions, are hereby left to the discretion of the Rectors or Ministers in their respective congregations.

SECT. 2. There shall be five Trustees appointed by the Convention, to whom the management and care of the fund for the support of the Episcopate in this Diocese shall be intrusted : the said Trustees shall hold their offices during the pleasure of the Convention ; and all vacancies occurring in said Board of Trustees shall from time to time be supplied by the Convention.

SECT. 3. All monies belonging to the Episcopal fund, shall by the said Trustees be loaned upon security of real estate, or invested in stock of the United States, or of any of the States, or of the City of New York, at their discretion : and all securities and investments shall be taken or made in the names of the said Trustees or the survivors of them, as Trustees of the said fund, and they shall have power from time to time to change such investments. A statement of the said fund and securities shall be exhibited at every stated meeting of the Convention, signed by the said Trustees, or a majority of them.

SECT. 4. The fund thus raised and managed shall be permitted to accumulate without diminution until in the opinion of the Convention it shall become adequate to the support of a Bishop, independently of any parochial cure.

CANON XIV.

Of the Diocesan Fund.

SECT. 1. Whereas it is indispensable to provide a fund for defraying the necessary expenses of the Convention, and particularly the expenses of those of the Clergy who may have to travel from a distance to the Convention ; it is

hereby required of every Congregation in this Diocese, to pay to the Treasurer of the Convention, on or before the day of its annual meeting, a contribution of not less than one and a half per cent. on the amount of the salary of its Clergyman. Which fund shall from time to time be appropriated in part by a Committee of the Convention to the purposes above mentioned.

SECT. 2. And whereas by Canon X. of the General Convention of 1838, it is made the duty of the several Diocesan Conventions to forward to the Treasurer of the General Convention, at each meeting of the same, seventy-five cents for each Clergyman within the Diocese, for the purpose of defraying the contingent expenses of the said Convention; therefore it shall be the duty of the Committee appointed to appropriate the moneys paid in to the Diocesan Fund, to retain annually out of such moneys, twenty-five cents for each Clergyman in this Diocese. The moneys thus arising shall be kept by the Treasurer of the Convention, to be by him paid over to the Treasurer of the General Convention at each meeting of the same.

CANON XV.

Of Theological Education and the Support of Missionaries.

This Convention having approved the objects of the Education and Missionary Society of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of New York; and having also approved its Constitution; as also those of the New York Protestant Episcopal City Mission Society; therefore,

SECT. 1. The distribution of all funds which may be raised in compliance with the requisitions of this Canon for the purpose of educating young men for holy Orders, or for the support of Missionaries, is confided to the said Societies respectively

SECT. 2. It is required of every Congregation in this Diocese to make an annual contribution in aid of the Education fund, and also an annual contribution in aid of the Missionary fund of the first-named Society; also of each congregation in the city of New York a further contribution in aid of the funds of the last-named Society; such contributions to be paid over to their respective Treasurers, or to the Treasurer of the Convention for that purpose. The amount of such annual contributions shall be reported to the stated Convention next after they have been made, and shall be entered upon the Journals; and the amount of such contributions to the Education and Missionary Society, shall also be reported to the Treasurer thereof before Easter-day of each year. It shall be the duty of the Ministers and Rectors, or in vacant parishes, the Wardens and Vestrymen, to adopt the mode of obtaining such annual contributions in their respective Churches.

CANON XVIII.

Concerning Alterations in the Canons and Additions thereto.

No proposed alteration of, or addition to the Canons, shall hereafter be considered by the Convention, unless at least one day's previous notice be given thereof in open Convention; nor, unless by unanimous consent, until such alteration or addition shall have been referred to, and reported upon by, a Committee of at least two Presbyters and two Laymen. Nor shall such alteration or addition be adopted, during the same Convention, if two-thirds of the votes of both orders, taken separately, shall not concur therein; but in such case, the same, (unless negatived by a majority of the members present) shall lie over for consideration until the next annual meeting of the Convention.

APPENDIX.

No. XV.

DIRECTIONS

For persons desirous to become Candidates for Holy Orders, and for those desiring Ordination as Deacons and Priests.

[Altered agreeably to the Canons of the General Convention of 1841.]

DIRECTIONS FOR THOSE WISHING TO BECOME CANDIDATES FOR HOLY ORDERS.

Can. IX.—Sect. 1. Gen. Conv. 1841. A person wishing to become a candidate for Holy Orders, must, in the first instance, give notice of his intention to the Bishop, or, if there be no Bishop, to the Standing Committee of the Diocese; in which notice he shall declare whether he has ever applied for admission as a candidate in any other Diocese.

Sect. 2. He is then to apply to the Standing Committee for their recommendation of him to the Bishop, to be admitted as a candidate for Orders. To enable the Committee to act, he must lay before them—I. Evidence of his having made his intention known to the Bishop. II. A certificate to the following effect, unless the Standing Committee can certify the same facts of their own knowledge:

*“To the Standing Committee of the Diocese of New York.
(Date.)*

“We, the subscribers, from a satisfactory knowledge of the character of A. B., do hereby testify our belief that he is pious, sober, and honest; that he is attached to the doctrines, discipline and worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church, and a communicant of the same; and, in our opinion, possesses such qualifications as will render him apt and meet to exercise the ministry to the glory of God and edifying of the Church.”

IF The above certificate should be signed by one presbyter, and at least four respectable laymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

It is not absolutely essential that the signers of the above should have a personal acquaintance with the applicant; but they may act upon such knowledge of his character from other sources as is satisfactory to them.

III. (*Sect. 3.*) A satisfactory diploma, or other satisfactory evidence that he is a graduate of some University or College; or a

certificate from two presbyters, appointed by the Bishop, or where there is no Bishop, the clerical members of the Standing Committee, to examine him, of his having satisfactorily sustained an examination in Natural Philosophy, Moral Philosophy, and Rhetoric, and in the Greek Testament and the Latin Tongue.—Or, (*Sec. 4.*) when the person applying to be admitted a candidate, wishes the knowledge of the Latin and Greek languages, and other branches of learning not strictly ecclesiastical, to be dispensed with, he must, instead of the above-mentioned diploma or certificate, lay before the Standing Committee a testimonial, signed by at least two presbyters of the Church, stating, that, in their opinion, he possesses extraordinary strength of natural understanding, a peculiar aptitude to teach, and a large share of prudence; with proper evidence that the Bishop, with the consent of the Standing Committee, has granted such dispensation. The Canons provide that this dispensation shall not be granted to any person under 27 years of age, and that no person shall be ordained under such a dispensation until he shall have attained 30 years of age; but as to the Hebrew language, the power of dispensation rests with the Bishop alone, without reference to the age of the candidate. The Standing Committee may then sign a testimonial in behalf of the candidate, which he must produce to the Bishop, who (*Sec. 6.*) may thereon admit him as a candidate for Orders; in which station he must remain three years before his ordination, unless the Bishop, with the consent of the Standing Committee, shall deem it expedient to ordain him after the expiration of a shorter period, not less than one year.*

DIRECTIONS FOR CANDIDATES FOR HOLY ORDERS WISHING TO BE
ORDAINED DEACONS.

Canon XV.—(*Sec. 2.*) *Gen. Conv. 1832.* A candidate for Holy Orders wishing to be ordained a Deacon, must lay before the Standing Committee a testimonial in the following words:

* The Canon contains also the following provisions, which, however, have no relation to the testimonials. (*Sec. 5.*) With this enumeration of qualifications, it ought to be made known to the candidate, that the Church expects of him—what can never be brought to the test of any outward standard—an inward fear and worship of ALMIGHTY GOD: a love of religion, and sensibility to its holy influence: a habit of devout affection: and in short, a cultivation of all those graces which are called in Scripture the fruits of the Spirit, and by which alone His sacred influence can be manifested.

(*Sec. 9.*) If a candidate shall not, within three years after his admission, apply for his first and second examinations, or within five years, his third examination, except for causes seeming good to the Bishop, he shall in either case cease to be a candidate.

(*Sec. 10.*) Any person desirous to become a candidate for Holy Orders, must apply to the Bishop or ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese in which he resides, unless they shall consent that the application be made in some other Diocese.

Candidates are not to change their canonical residence but for bona fide causes requiring the same, and to be judged of by the Bishop or ecclesiastical authority.

" To the Standing Committee of the Diocese of New York. "

" We, whose names are hereunder written, do testify from evidence satisfactory to us, that A. B., for the space of three years last past, hath lived piously, soberly, and honestly ; and hath not, so far as we know or believe, written, taught, or held any thing contrary to the doctrine or discipline of the Protestant Episcopal Church ; and moreover, we think him a person worthy to be admitted to the sacred order of Deacons. In witness whereof, we have hereunto set our hands, this — day of —, in the year of our Lord —."

The above certificate is to be subscribed by the minister and vestry of the parish where the candidate resides, or by the vestry alone, if the parish be vacant, (of which circumstance the Committee must be duly certified,) and must contain the names of at least a majority of all the wardens and vestrymen. The respective titles of the minister, wardens, and vestrymen, must be attached to their signatures. If there be no vestry where the candidate resides, the circumstance must be certified to the Committee, and then the testimonial must be signed by at least twelve respectable persons of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

It is not absolutely essential that the signers of the testimonial should be personally acquainted with the candidate ; they may act upon a satisfactory knowledge of his character from any other source.

The candidate must also lay before the Standing Committee a certificate in the following words :—

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The above testimonial must be signed by at least one respectable presbyter of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States. The Standing Committee may then sign the canonical recommendation to the Bishop for Orders ; which the candidate is to exhibit to the Bishop.

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The above testimonial must be signed by at least one respectable presbyter of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States. The Standing Committee may then sign the canonical recommendation to the Bishop for Orders ; which the candidate is to exhibit to the Bishop.

DIRECTIONS FOR DEACONS WISHING TO BE ORDAINED PRIESTS.

A Deacon wishing to be ordained a Priest, must lay before the Standing Committee the same testimonials, subscribed in the same way, as those required of him on his application for ordination as a Deacon ; except (*Sec. 5.*) that they may be so altered as to extend to such portion only of the three years preceding his application for Priest's Orders as has elapsed since his ordination as Deacon ; and except, also, that if he be minister of the parish, the testimonial of piety, good morals, and orderly conduct, shall be signed by the vestry alone. The Standing Committee may then give him the canonical recommendation for Orders, which he is to exhibit to the Bishop.

No person shall be ordained Priest, unless he shall produce to the Bishop a satisfactory certificate, from some church, parish, or congregation, that he is engaged with them, and that they will receive him as their minister ; or unless he be a missionary under the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese to which he belongs ; or in the employment of some missionary society recognized by the General Convention ; or unless he be engaged as a professor, tutor, or instructor of youth, in some college, academy, or other seminary of learning duly incorporated.*

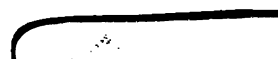
Candidates for ordination as Priests or Deacons, are referred to the following further provisions :—

Canon XV. 1832.—(*Sec. 3.*) If the candidate, from peculiar circumstances, not affecting his pious or moral character, shall be unable to procure testimonials from the ministry and vestry of the parish where he resides, testimonials to the effect required may be received from at least twelve respectable members of the Protestant Episcopal Church, and from at least one respectable presbyter who has been personally acquainted with the candidate for at least one year.

(*Sec. 4.*) A candidate recommended by the Standing Committee of any church destitute of a Bishop, if he shall have resided for the greater part of the last three years within the Diocese of a Bishop, shall apply to such Bishop for ordination, and shall produce the usual testimonials, as well from the Standing Committee of the Diocese in which he has resided, as from the Committee of the Church in the Diocese for which he is to be ordained.

* For the case of one who has officiated as a minister, or been a licentiate, or student of theology, of another denomination, see Canon VII. of the General Convention of 1838.







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